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New Notes For Western Zones On Sunday

Contribution For Mother

An anonymous well wisher has sent \$10 to the "China Mail" to be handed to Leung Oi, a 34-year-old married woman now in jail on a charge of attempted murder. The benefactor read that the woman, who is said to have jumped into the harbor on Tuesday with a six-year-old child in her arms, had been remained in custody for a week. He immediately wrote to the Editor: "It occurred to me that her act may be due to adversity, and I enclose \$10 to be handed over to her, if you would oblige me."

British Whalers' Fears

London, June 18. Commercial whaling circles in London today expressed great disappointment over the news that General Douglas MacArthur, Supreme Commander in Japan, had ordered a third Japanese whaling expedition. It had been hoped that, following the diplomatic representations by Britain and Norway to the United States State Department, no Japanese whaling expedition would be allowed to take part in the next whaling season, a spokesman for the industry said. These representations, he added, were made on the ground, firstly, that the internationally agreed number of whales (the equivalent of 18,000 blue whale units) could easily be caught next season without any help from Japan, the four was also expressed that the Japanese might break the international code on whaling, for example, by catching undersized whales.

General MacArthur has given an undertaking that the Japanese expedition will be closely supervised, to ensure that it does not infringe the international code, it was learned in authoritative circles.

He has also agreed to send only two factory ships—the same as last year—instead of the three proposed earlier.

British officials consider that this is the maximum concession to be expected from General MacArthur.—Reuters.

Support For Bao

Saloon, June 18. Bao Vien, chief commander of the 4th Vietnamese (Indochina) autonomy movement army in Cochin-China, today surrendered his force of between 5,000 and 2,000 men, French headquarters announced.

Bao Vien said that he would support Bao Dai, the former ruler of the Indo-Chinese states of Tonkin and Annam, the new Central Vietnamese Government and the French Union.

Dr Ho Chi Minh, leader of the Indochina autonomy movement (Vietminh), urged his followers to increase sabotage in areas occupied by French troops and to "fire upon the colonialists," the French Press Agency reported from Hanoi.

He was broadcasting on the 1,000th day of their fight against the French.—Reuters.

JUST A REPRINT

The recently circulated tariff rates for freight to Mediterranean ports are not new rates but a reprint of the old tariff, the "China Mail" was authoritatively informed yesterday.

It is the Far East Conference to periodically reprint old tariff rates with minor alterations.

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Each Person To Have 60 Marks

Frankfurt, June 18. A currency reform for the three Western Zones of Germany will go into effect on Sunday, June 20. The Western sectors of Berlin are not, for the time being, included in the new monetary changeover.

The promulgating ordinance issued tonight provides that each inhabitant of the Western Zones will be paid 60 of the new Deutsche marks against an equal amount of the old currency.

Payment to each Western German possessing an identity and ration card will be made in two instalments, with 40 marks in the first instalment to be paid on Sunday, and the remaining 20 marks a month later.

Flock To Banks

The proclamation released tonight is the first of three national currency laws which will be published. No mention of the rate of conversion for bank accounts in marks was given. It will be withheld until the third and final currency reform law is published "at a later date."

German banks today were closed for business in celebration of the new currency. Berlin, however, was not included in the new currency zone.

The Frankfurt Bourse will close for an indefinite period when the currency reform is announced, the German Finance Ministry said today.

Protective Measures

Borderlines are expecting further restrictions by the Russians on movement between the Zones and possibly a complete closing of the frontier between the Soviet Zone and the Western Zones.

No details were known of the "protective measures" which Soviet Zone political leaders have said would immediately follow the currency reform in the West, it was generally believed that they would consist of a stamping or perforation of all the old marks notes circulating in the Eastern Zone to prevent devalued notes flooding in.

According to usually well-informed circles, the Soviet preparations for a thorough going monetary reform in the Eastern Zone are not far enough advanced to be put into effect immediately.—Reuters.

Guardhouses On Border

Canton, June 18. Fortified guardhouses, with watch towers, are to be constructed at strategic points along the Sino-British border on the mainland to afford protection to Chinese Maritime Customs officers in carrying out their anti-smuggling duties, according to a report reaching Canton from Shumehun, the border town.

The decision to construct the posts followed the recent attacks on Customs stations by "bandits" and smugglers.

A further protective measure is reported to be the withdrawal of Customs' officers in remote areas.

These isolated stations, it is stated, will in future be patrolled by troops.—Reuters.

1,000 WANT TO BE CABIN-BOYS

More than 1,000 applicants for cabin-boy jobs were registered at the local office of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company yesterday.

The company is recruiting for its Hong Kong fleet, its latest 10,000-ton ship, expected in Hong Kong from America in August.

Nine of the company's ships, held up in Shanghai since May 24 because of lack of fuel, left the Chinese port yesterday, the company told the "China Mail" last night.

Kwangtung Special Currency?

Nanking, June 18. A proposal for the creation of a special currency for circulation in South China was introduced in the Legislative Yuan during a heated discussion on Chinese currency reforms today.

Legislator Li Shiu-feng suggested a new stable special currency with ample reserves for circulation in the provinces of Kwangtung and Fukien will encourage remittances from Chinese abroad whose families mostly reside in those areas.

The resolution pointed out that the two provinces are comparatively free from Communist disturbances and are being aided in the reconstruction with American credits. For these reasons, it said, it would be relatively easy to maintain stability of the special currency.

Legislators decided to refer the proposal to the finance committee for study.

There are at present two independent currencies outside the fiat—they are the Taiwan currency which is pegged to CNS\$477, and the North-east currency for Manchuria is pegged one to CNS10.—United Press.

Catholic Mission Party Safe

Tientsin, June 18. Twenty-two Catholic sisters, 14 Chinese and eight foreigners, including one British one Catholic father and two brothers, arrived here safely last night from the large Catholic mission at Hsienhsien in Communist-held central Hopei, where they have been marooned for the past few months.

Five of the foreign sisters are American. Considerable anxiety has been felt for the safety of the mission, which is situated about 50 miles southeast of Peking, Hopei provincial capital, especially after a spokesman of the "Central Hopei War Area Army Headquarters" had charged the mission with engaging in "international espionage."

The spokesman's statement, which absolved 11 foreign sisters from the charge was broadcast by the Communist Hsienhsien radio station as a reply to the request made by the American Consul General in Peking, Mr. O. E. Clubb, to the Hsienhsien authorities to assist in the evacuation of the sisters.

The party, which travelled partly by truck and partly by car, was met in south Tientsin yesterday by American consular officials, who previously had contacted the Communists by letter and radio.—Reuters.

Meeting To Oppose Jap Aid

A representative meeting of Chinese commercial, industrial and cultural organisations, sponsored by the Chinese Manufacturers Union, will be held at the Kam Lung Restaurant at 1 p.m. today to approve a draft petition for transmission to the UNO, SCAP, and the Chinese, American and British Governments.

The meeting has been called primarily to express opposition to the American-led Japan policy which forces Chinese businessmen and industrialists to contend adversely affecting the Colony's factories.

Chinese manufacturers are concerned over the recent influx of Japanese products in the Colony and have been clamouring for measures to prohibit import of Japanese-made articles.

Results Excellent

Initial experiments were continued last week and the results were excellent. The tests under local conditions proved very successful. It was discovered that the equipment provided complete harbour coverage from all points on the island and mainland. Reception was good and there was no falling in signals at any time during the experiments.

Radio telephones have been applied to communication between police mobile units and headquarters, forest fire prevention, home to outstation communication.

Opening Inland Waters

Nanking, June 18. Preliminary arrangements have been made to open China's inland waters to United States vessels, carrying aid supplies to China, an official of the Ministry of Communications' navigation section stated today.

According to preliminary agreement, only American merchantmen carrying aid supplies and coming direct from foreign ports will be permitted to call at the two ports. These ships, on their return voyage, will be allowed to carry only export articles specially to foreign countries without stopping at Chinese ports on route.

At the same time, the Chinese authorities have arranged for Chinese ships to share in the

Picture Of The Day

A Nun In The Ruins



A Catholic nun working in the ruins of Berlin's famous "Hedwigskirche" following an appeal by Cardinal Graf von Preussing. Men and women, including nuns, are helping to clear up the ruins of the Cathedral after their normal working day.

LONDON PORT CRIPPLED BY WALKOUT OF 13,200 STRIKERS DEFY UNION LEADERS

London, June 18. Angry strikers shouted down their union leaders today and broke up the mass meeting called to urge dock workers to abandon their unofficial walkout already threatening Britain's meagre food rations. With 102 ships idle, 55 of them food ships and some 13,200 port workers out, officials of the Transport and General Workers Union summoned a mass meeting in Victoria Park.

Sky "Tides" Chartered

London, June 18. The tides of the electric "seas" 130 miles above the earth have now been chartered by radar with 100 per cent improvement over pre-war in round the world wireless transmissions.

Sets of electrified particles have a tidal movement produced like ocean-tides by the drag of moon and the sun.

Storms and upheavals occur periodically and scientists can now explain and predict them. They have also discovered that the curious things that happen to radio transmissions crossing the Equator are due to magnetic effects controlled by the north and south poles.

As a result of this work, radio engineers can have an almanac to tell them how best to "navigate" their messages according to the best tidal condition at any time.

2 Serious Accidents

Two serious motor accidents were reported from the Ping Shan district, New Territories, yesterday afternoon.

One of the victims is in a critical condition in Kowloon Hospital from serious internal injuries.

The first accident occurred about 2 p.m. at the 22-mile post, when Lorry No. 6393, bound from Un Long to Kowloon, in trying to avoid a lorry coming in the opposite direction, ran off the road and turned turtle down the embankment.

Lau Fat (36) one of two passengers on the lorry, suffered severe internal injuries and had to be hospitalised. Up to a late hour last night he was still in a critical condition.

Ling Man (30) the other passenger, got off with only superficial injuries.

The driver, who was also slightly injured, was detained at Ping Shan Police Station for enquiry.

In the second accident, which also occurred near the 22-mile post, near Un Long, at 3.30 p.m. last night, private motor car No. 8034 ran headlong into a tree.

The driver, Wong Chuen-man, 33, was hurt in the leg, while the other five occupants, all women members of a family named Luk, received various degrees of injuries.

One of them, Luk Chi-heung (20) was detained in Kowloon hospital with injuries to the eye.

The Weather

A weak belt of high pressure extends from Siberia across Central China and the Eastern Sea to the Pacific east of North Honshu.

The Pacific anticyclone extends SW to the Philippines and links with a feeble high pressure area over Burma.

Separating these two systems a trough extends from a shallow area of low pressure south of Hainan through the Formosa Straits to the Bonins and then Nippon.

Police Told "Shoot On Sight"

Nanking, June 18. The police in Nanking, China's wartime capital, have been ordered to shoot on sight as the Municipal authorities proclaimed emergency action today to quell further rice riots.

As a disciplinary measure, 23 of the rice rioters arrested 48 hours ago, will be executed by order of the Mayor, Chinese reports said.

Despatches today said that the rice rioting which began in Chungking proper on Wednesday, spread to suburban areas. Despite police precautions, rice looting continued yesterday.—Reuters.

FRENCH "WARNING STRIKE"

Paris, June 18. Communist labour leaders today renewed their attack on the French Government with an order to an advance guard of some 5,000,000 workers to start a general one-hour "warning strike" at 5 p.m.

The one-hour strike was originally called for 11 a.m. on Saturday.

The new order issued by the General Confederation of Labour called on those workers who are off on Saturday to start the strike on Friday.

A dispatch from Clermont Ferrand said sentences ranging from 45 days to three months in prison were imposed on five demonstrators arrested for provoking public disorder.

The court slapped four months suspended sentences on two others. Thirty-three others were held for further questioning.

More trials are set for Monday.—United Press.

STRIKE SCHEME REJECTED

Brighton, Sussex, June 17. Proposals to strike for higher wages, made on behalf of 2,750,000 workers of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, were tonight rejected by their National Committee by 28 votes to 23.

The Union's annual conference is meeting in Brighton and will tomorrow discuss recommendations for an immediate official court of enquiry on wages.—Reuters.

Singapore, June 18. An advertisement in a Kuala Lumpur newspaper today offered "for sale" a 303-lightweight sporting rifle with ammunition, suitable for game or bandits.—Reuters.

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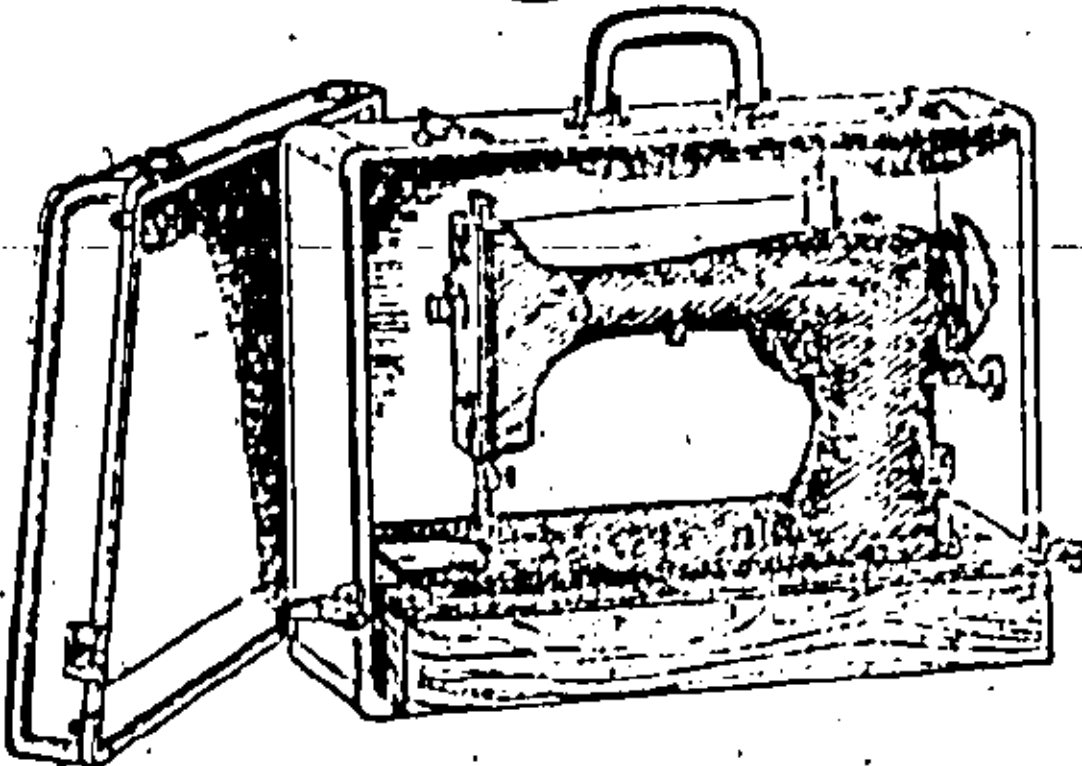
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BANK CLERKS SENTENCED FOR DEFRAUDING BANKS

The author of "a well-planned fraud" on two of Hong Kong's leading banks, Carlos Jacinto Pintos was sentenced to six years' hard labour by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams, Chief Justice, at the Supreme Court yesterday.

He had pleaded guilty to charges of forgery and obtaining money on a forged document.

Cheung Yuk-shat, alias Joseph Osman and Louis Francisco D'Azevedo, who were charged together with Pintos, were each sentenced to five years' hard labour.

Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Insp. J. P. Waldron, prosecuted on behalf of the Crown.

Loniency Plea

All three accused were charged on the first count of forgery. It was alleged that on Jan. 10, 1948, Pintos forged a cheque for the sum of \$50,000, purporting to be the cheque of Messrs. Lo and Lo and drawn on the Mercantile Bank of India Limited. Azevedo was alleged to have been present aiding and abetting Pintos in the commission of the said offence, while Osman was alleged, on the same day, to have counselled and procured Pintos to commit the offence.

On the second charge, that of obtaining money on a forged document, all three accused were alleged to have, on Jan. 10, counselled and procured the obtaining by a person whose name was unknown, the sum of \$50,000 from the Mercantile Bank of India.

Western Approaches Operations

Captain W. J. Moore, D.S.C., R.N.R., Manager of Holts Wharf, Kowloon, yesterday gave Kowloon Rotarians his reminiscences of operations in the Western Approaches during World War II.

The speaker served in the Western Approaches from early 1940 until the end of the European War. He commanded successively the Bideford, Whimbrel and Ascension, H.M. escort ships; and during the last year of the war was senior officer of 17th Escort Group.

At the beginning of the war the Western Approaches Command, with headquarters at Plymouth (later transferred to Liverpool after the fall of France), had only 30 to 40 old destroyers and sloops. When the war ended it had several hundred vessels operating over a radius extending to West Africa, the USA and Canada, and North Russia, and became expert in anti-submarine warfare.

The vital duty of keeping open Britain's lifelines and of conducting continuous convoys across the Atlantic devolved on the Western Approaches Command and to the little vessels which did the escort work.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Rotarian Jones for the speaker. Captain Moore was Sea Transport Officer in Hong Kong during the Military Administration. Visiting Rotarians and guests welcomed by President F. C. Clemo were Rotarians H. A. Lammert and H. W. Sutton from Hong Kong, Mr. W. H. Nollath and E. L. Lucy.

Tails Must Be Up

It is against the Traffic Regulations to leave the tail board of a lorry down, even if the licence number is painted on it, said Traffic Sub-Inspector Donald Brown when nine lorry drivers appeared before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday, summoned for having the tail boards of their vehicles down.

TSI Brown said that the summonses were brought as a warning to lorry drivers who appeared to be under the impression that so long as the licence number is painted on the board it was all right.

The following were the defendants who were cautioned by the Magistrate: Ip Lun (lorry 5204), Chung Ching-par (5685), Cheung Tsoi (6014), Leung Kam-chin (5316), Wong Tak-him (5717), Mon Fui-chai (5527), Kwong Wing (6451), Fan Kwong (6020), and Wong Tsang (6265).

Solicited Passengers

Wong Tak, driver of taxi 4539, was cautioned by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday on the summons of soliciting passengers outside the Star Ferry taxi stand on May 13.

Traffic Sub-Inspector Donald Brown said that the Police constable on duty at the stand was confident stopping his car near the private car park, went across the road to get some small change, and return to the taxi. He was also seen soliciting two persons who were approaching his cab.

FINANCIAL POLICY "FALTERING"

The "Manchester Guardian" said today that inquiries in Whitehall and Westminster confirmed that the Government is faltering in its financial policy.

Had No Reason To Fight

Leung Min, 45 of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, and Li Chung, 28, carpenter, appeared at Central yesterday before Mr. Hin-shing Lo on a charge of assaulting Tram Conductor Chan Chung Fai.

Both men admitted the charge and had nothing to say. Inspector Brownrigg said that defendants and complainant had no argument, or had any reason to become annoyed as the original argument started when two unknown Chinese men got on Chan's tram and refused to pay their fare.

When the tram stopped at the junction of Wanchung Road and Shing-Wo Road, the men got off the tram, pulled the conductor with them and assaulted him, and then ran away. Complainant chased them but was stopped by defendants and other men, not in custody, who hit him with his own ticket punch and struck him on the back with their fists.

Defendants were ordered to pay \$20 compensation each and a fine of \$10.

Reminders

Today
Anti-Aid Japan policy of America, meeting, Kam Ling Restaurant, 1 p.m.
Australian Goodwill Mission arrives at Kai Tak, 2 p.m.

Coming Events
TOMORROW
Classical Concert, To H Club, Talbot House, Macdonnell Rd., 8.30 p.m.
Talk on "Radar" by R. Gould, European YMCA (Armchair Group), West Lounge, 8.30 p.m.
Art Club sketching class, members assemble at Queen's Pier, 3 p.m.
MONDAY
King George V School Parents Association meeting, talk on "Education in Hong Kong" at European YMCA, 3.15 p.m.
Crown Land Auction, P.W.D. office, 3 p.m.

Extortion Alleged

To Tak-sing, 19, mechanical fitter employed at the King Lam Engineering Shop of 419 Ash Street, ground floor, and described as a former resident of the United States, appeared before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday on the charge of demanding with menaces the sum of \$500 from Dr. Teung Ying-kei on June 12.

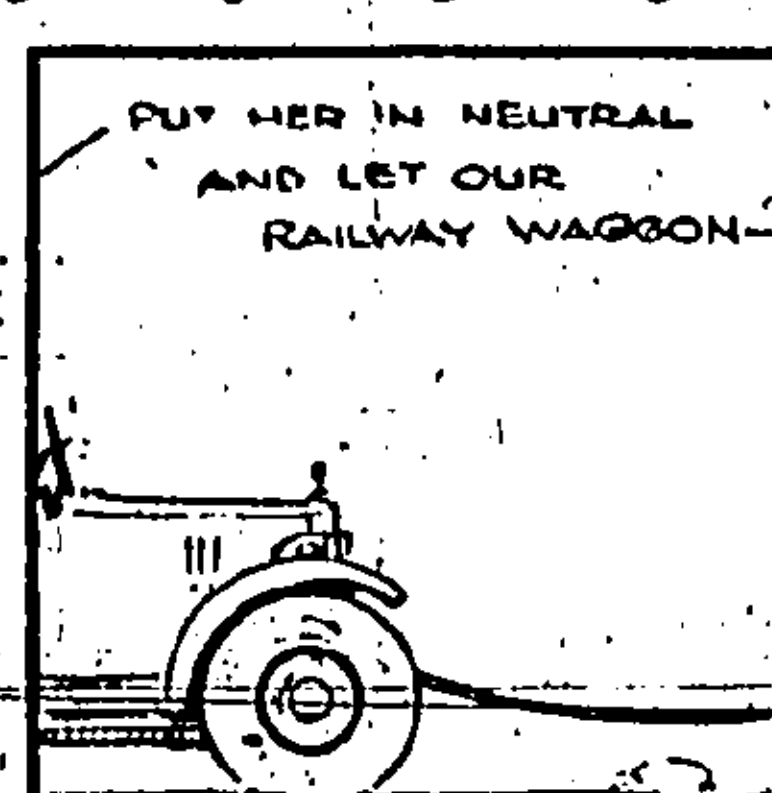
On the application of Inspector J. Orem, accused was remanded for three days in custody.

Pork Unfit To Eat

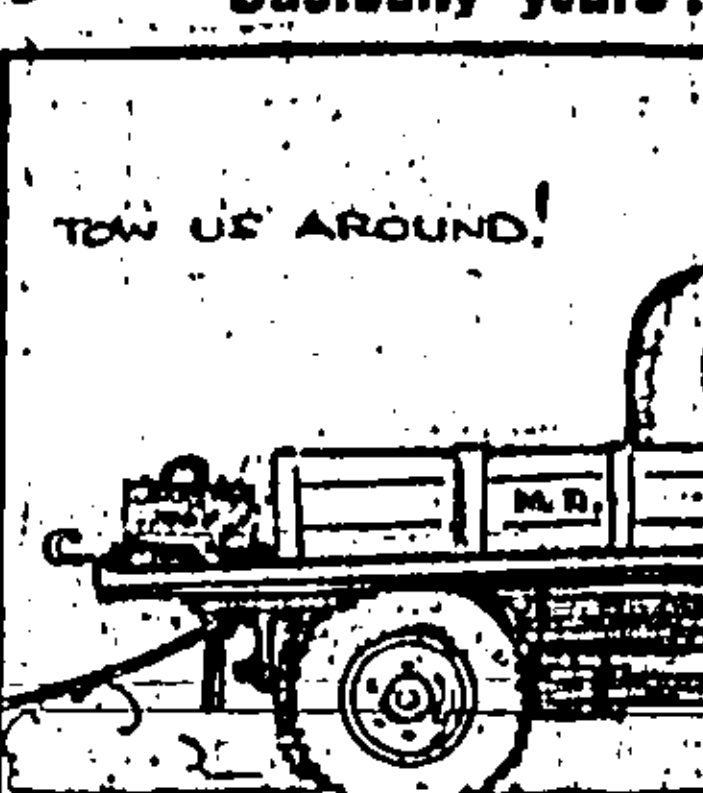
Four coolies appeared at Central yesterday before Mr. Hin-shing Lo on a charge of being in possession of tainted and unwholesome pork, (five dead pigs weighing 450 lbs.). Defendants, Lo Ming, 34, Chan Kam, 33, Ki Mui, 24, and Chan Hui, 35, admitted carrying the pork but said that they were told to carry it for some one else and that they did not intend to sell it.

Inspector Brownrigg, told the court that defendants were stopped by P.C.C. 1011 because of the suspicious manner in which they were carrying two bags. When the bags were opened, it was found that they contained five dead pigs.

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BRITAIN WANTED TO GET TOUGH WITH JAPS

British wanted to follow a tough policy against Japan at the time of the Churchill-Roosevelt sea conference which led to the signing of the Atlantic Charter.

Winston Churchill favoured sending parallel notes by the United States, Britain and the Netherlands warning that any further Japanese encroachment in the South Pacific would result in counter-measures. This was disclosed in the fifth instalment of the "secret papers" of Harry Hopkins currently appearing in Collier's magazine.

The papers, edited by Robert Sherwood, showed that Franklin D. Roosevelt agreed with Churchill that efforts should be made to prevent an outbreak of war with Japan but was uncertain whether a tough line would be best.

Face-Saving

A compromise middle-road solution was adopted and parallel warnings were sent, but thereafter Churchill took the position that Britain would follow the United States lead in the policy regarding Japan.

Sherwood said: "Roosevelt was well aware of the importance of 'face' to the Japanese. Therefore the adoption of a line which would not give them some kind of 'face saving outlet' would practically guarantee war."—United Press.

Overtook Traffic Inspector

Loi Hoi-sum of 163 Sai Yee Street, was "very unfortunate" in that the car he overtook at Nathan Road on May 13 was driven by Traffic Sub-Inspector George Watt. It resulted in his being fined \$50 by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

According to Traffic Sub-Inspector Donald Brown, defendant was driving motor-cycle 317 along Nathan Road from the Alhambra Theatre to Wing Sing Lane (a controlled area) at 20-25 miles per hour when he passed TSI Watt's car.

Remarking that defendant was "very unfortunate" in that the car he overtook was driven by a Traffic Inspector, the Magistrate was about to caution Lo when TSI Brown pointed out that defendant was only a learner-driver.

"That puts a different complexion on the case," said Mr. Latimer.

UNEMPLOYED CHARGED

A raid conducted by Det. Sub-Inspector W. B. Serag at 89A Canton Road, second floor, on June 17, resulted in the appearance of Chiu Fook (40) and Ng Chuen (32), both unemployed, before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon on the charge of unlawful possession of a dagger. Chiu was additionally charged with the possession of two opium pipes and four pots of opium.

On the application of Inspector Orem, accused were remanded for three days in custody.

Karl Backman, a 22-year-old Estonian, died of pulmonary tuberculosis at the Prison Hospital on June 1. It was stated at the inquest held before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

Deceased was admitted to the hospital on May 25. He died two days later.

Valueless Cheque For \$9,750 Ring

Tong Wing-on and Lo Wing-wai were charged before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday with obtaining a diamond ring, valued at \$9,750 by false pretences from Messrs. Sennet Freres on Jan. 16.

Pang Man-wai was charged with aiding and abetting them, and all were charged with conspiracy to defraud.

First accused, who was represented by Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios pleaded guilty. Second and third accused were defended by Mr. F. H. Losby and Mr. M. A. Silva respectively and pleaded not guilty.

Inspector Cashman was for the prosecution and said that on Jan. 14 the first and second defendants went to Sennet Freres where they saw the manager, and asked to be shown a diamond ring. The second defendant was known to the firm as he had acted as a broker previously.

Some time later they returned to the store and a bargain was struck for a diamond valued at \$9,750.

A bill was made out and first defendant took a cheque, filled it in, signed it C. K. Chan and left. Enquiries at the bank later revealed that there was no account in the name of C. K. Chan, the inspector added.

On Jan. 29 first defendant was arrested in Wanchai and later the second was located in Kowloon. The third was arrested as the result of further enquiries.

After the men had obtained the ring they sold it to a goldsmith for \$4,000, who in turn sold it to another person at present in Peking.

Hearing was adjourned until Monday at 2.30 p.m.

Wore Night Gown To Court

Mo Kui, 55-year-old married woman, appeared at Central yesterday in her night attire, as she had been brought direct from Queen Mary Hospital to attend court.

She was charged, together with Tang Shui, with disorderly conduct by fighting. An additional charge of cruelty to a small puppy was also preferred.

Inspector Brownrigg said that the fight began when second defendant's dog chased the other woman's chickens. Mo was so annoyed that she attacked the puppy with a "chopper," and a fight ensued.

During the struggle, Mo had slipped and broken her arm on the stones, and had to be taken to hospital.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo cautioned both defendants.

A young married woman, Wong Kai, was at Kowloon yesterday remanded by Mr. W. H. Latimer for three days on the charge of larceny of 16 pairs of silk stockings, the property of Yuen Kam-hung, at 312 Nathan Road on March 1.

Tenancy Appeal Dismissed

An appeal against the decision of a Tenancy Tribunal refusing an order for possession of the ground floor of 432 Nathan Road, Kowloon, was dismissed yesterday by Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (Puisne Judge).

The Tribunal, against whose decision the appeal was lodged comprised Mr. H. Owen Hughes (Chairman), Mrs. H. A. Skinner and Mr. D. C. Davis.

The appellant, Leung Mong-kin, was represented by Mr. B. A. Bernachi, instructed by Mr. Y. K. Kan of Messrs. Lo and Lo. Mr. C. Y. Kwan of Messrs. C. Y. Kwan and Co., appeared for the respondent Wong Kung-yung.

One of the grounds set forth by the appellant in her application before the Tribunal was that the premises were required by her for the celebration of her daughter's marriage and for use as a residence by the latter after her marriage.

Mr. Bernachi said that the appeal was based on the ground that the Tribunal had misdirected itself on certain questions of hardship, and also that there was no evidence on which the Tribunal could hold that the respondent had discharged the onus of proving greater hardship.

Replying Mr. Kwan said that the reasons for the finding of the Tribunal had been fully set out. It was clear that the Tribunal was satisfied that the respondent, who was a shoet employed by the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., at a salary of \$215 a month, was unable to find any alternative accommodation, except upon payment of "key money."

Mr. Kwan also submitted that the Tribunal believed that there would be greater hardship on the respondent than the appellant. In conclusion, Mr. Kwan said that the Tribunal had not misdirected itself.

In dismissing the appeal, Mr. Justice Gould also awarded costs in the sum of \$150 to respondent.

Personalia

Dr. G.B. Endacott, President of the Arts Association, Hong Kong University, will address the Rotary Club on Tuesday at the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, at 12.30 p.m.

Dr. Endacott will speak on "Democracy—East and West."

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HAWKER'S ATTEMPT TO MAKE DYNAMITE ENDS IN TRAGEDY

MUST BE STAMPED OUT

Pleading guilty to charges of armed robbery and possession of arms, Mak Chi, hawker, was yesterday sentenced by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), to six years' hard labour and 18 lashes.

Passing sentence, Mr. Justice Williams said that the offence was a serious one and that the possession of arms by unauthorized persons must be stamped out.

Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Insp. K. Brodie, conducted the case for the prosecution.

Mak was alleged to have taken part in an armed robbery at 111 Second Street, on Apr. 9, when Chan Mul-mul was robbed of \$3,000 in cash, one gold chain, five gold finger rings, two fur coats and two pieces of silk clothing.

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BY ALEX RAYMOND

Explosions blasted three people to death and wrecked a home when a hawker attempted to make dynamite.

Lee Wah's experiments killed himself, Kee Hung, a watchman, and Li Ping, month-old daughter of Cheng Chat. Five occupants of 296, Kilong Street were injured.

At the inquest at Kowloon yesterday, Det. Sub-Inspector D. S. Roberts told Coroner W. H. Latimer that on the evening of May 5 three loud explosions were heard at Sham-shui-po Police Station.

Inspectors M. Rogers and S. Wheeler led a party to the scene and found debris all over the street. Rushing up to the second floor they found the place covered in smoke, with fire burning in the front portion. They subdued the fire (which was finally put out by the Fire Brigade) and began to attend to the injured.

Explosive And TNT

Underneath a bed in the first cubicle, Inspector Rogers found a newspaper parcel containing a quantity of black powder and a yellow substance which was later certified by the Government Chemist to be commercial explosive and TNT.

DSI Roberts made a thorough examination of the premises and found that while there was no structural damage, the floor was badly damaged, the door and supports were blown completely down the stairs, and the kitchen floor torn off its hinges.

Lee Wah, though seriously injured, was conscious and able to speak. He said that he had obtained permission from the tenant of the front cubicle (Ah Lee) to mix some explosive powder to sell to fishermen in the New Territories, and that he had bought 200 catties of white powder and 72 catties of sulphur from the Kwong Wing Hing. He intended to sell the mixture at \$1.20 per catty, and so make a profit of \$40 per day.

First Time

Lee was further alleged to have stated that while he was mixing the powders out on the verandah a nail was swept into the mixture and an explosion immediately resulted. It was the first time he had tried it. He added that there were two Hoklos, one of whom was Lee Hung, watching him mix the powders and that one of them might have been smoking at the time.

Lee died the same day, while Kee Hung and Li Ping died the following day.

Mr. Latimer returned a verdict of "Death by misadventure" in all three cases.

JUMPED OFF MOVING BUS

Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr has started imposing fines on persons appearing at Kowloon Court charged with alighting from moving buses.

Yesterday, Liu Hing-hong (24) of 284 Yu Chau Street, ground floor, who appeared in the dock with his head bandaged, was fined \$25 (or seven days' hard labour) when he admitted having jumped off bus 4640 at Prince Edward Road, near Yuen Street on Thursday night.

FALSETTO TONES OF SORROW

Shanghai, June 18.

The American-owned "Evening Post and Mercury," under the title "Envyng Japan," commented editorially today on the complaint by Miguel Cuaderna, Philippine Finance Secretary and head of the Philippine delegation to ECAF over the point that Japan is getting on her feet economically "while most of the rest of Asia is still in the planning stage."

The editor said: "The implication is that somebody, no doubt the iniquitous Uncle Sam, is giving Japan a special super-radiated shot of economic hormones while sitting simultaneously on the heads of China, the Philippines and

even distant Australia in order to prevent these depressed nations from doing more than dreaming.

"It has become the fashion for all and sundry to begin feeling sorry for themselves in falsetto tones whenever the very notion of Japan comes to mind. As we hear it, the Japanese are in a pretty thin time and still subsist largely at the expense of the American taxpayer.

"This is, of course, not too different from much of the rest of the world—but it seems the Japanese are trying to do something about it which perhaps puts them in something of a class by themselves.

Choice Theirs

The chief point Mr. Cuaderna stresses is that countries of the Far East other than Japan mostly are still in the stage of planning. And if they feel this a bad thing, why not proceed to a state of execution? The choice is theirs. To get under way may in some instances require a change in attitude, perhaps a change in certain laws if it is desired to attract outside capital.

"A realistic point of view is needed certainly, but it is up to those who wish progress to adopt the view and posture necessary to bring this about." Japan has no patent on energy.—United Press

Makes \$1,077,479 Profit Here

A profit of \$1,077,479 was announced at the first post-war annual general meeting yesterday of the Yangtze Finance Company, Limited. The report of the Directors' and statement of accounts covered the period from April 1, 1941 to March 31, 1947.

One of the resolutions passed at yesterday's meeting gave the company's capital into Hong Kong dollars. The head office of the concern was formerly in Shanghai.

Presiding over the meeting Mr. J. A. Turner, acting Chairman, remarked that the Directors do not wish the removal of the centre of operations from Shanghai to indicate that they have lost interest in the former market.

"The Head Office itself was transferred to the Colony by operation of Law, and it will be appreciated that under existing circumstances a business such as ours can hardly function in Shanghai except under very serious disabilities.

"Your Directors look forward with much eagerness to the time when they can resume normal financial business in the North-east Port and it is their hope that when this happily eventuates, your Company will take its full part in the development of a financial liaison between the Colony and Shanghai which will be of considerable mutual benefit."

Mr. W. G. E. Lunn, who was appointed as Director to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Li Ming.

Messrs. W. J. Hawkins, F. J. Hornum-Fisher, and W. R. McBain were re-elected to the Board of Directors.

Others present at the meeting were Mr. J. L. Marden (shareholder), Capt. D. Trail (representing Metal Industries of China, Ltd., shareholders), and Mrs. W. G. Blown (representing Wheelock Marden and Co., Ltd., shareholders).

Correspondence

Govt. "Tackling"

Sir,—I have noticed that letters written in your Correspondence Column nearly always bring some results. This cannot be accidental. That these results have not always been as satisfactory as desired is the fault of yours. Nevertheless, you are doing your work—that of directing an organ of, and for, the public—exceedingly well, and it is appreciated highly.

"Take, for instance, my letter on 'School Space' which you published on May 28th in which I urged that Grant-in-Aid Schools should operate two sessions a day in order to help alleviate the present serious school shortage. You have now succeeded in extracting from Government a statement on the situation.

But what is this statement worth? Like most statements of our Government when grudgingly made and given with obvious reluctance, it is masterfully uninformative. It says that the Authorities are tackling the problem. It says that a new version of the customary official formula 'The matter is under the Authorities' consideration, or receiving the attention of the Authorities'. And so, what do we learn? Absolutely nothing! For what is the Authorities NOT tackling problems? The Japs. came and found them tackling the Defence Problem; hordes of col-laborators, gangsters and ruff-raffs from China have descended on this fair Isle like locusts on a wheatfield, and the Authorities are tackling the Immigration Problem; the recent draught caught the Authorities tackling the Water Problem; old residents and local sons and daughters have returned to the Colony and found their homes usurped by moneyed colla-borators or penniless squatters while the Authorities are busily tackling the Housing Problem; and by no means the last or least, the Devil is having today a grand time with 45,000 (latest official figure) idle school-age children, and the Authorities are furiously tackling the Schooling Problem.

Without the valueless statement referred to above, we know that, and HOW, Government is tackling the Schooling Problem. But what we want to know is, what distance has Government covered in its 'tackling' and until complete rehabilitation or extension of school buildings can be 'per-mitted' by materials, money and staff, what is Government going to do to ameliorate the situation? And it seems that Government is sidgious avoiding answering this question. Incidentally, I challenge Government to prove to the satisfaction of tax-payers that materials, money and staff do not permit speedy solution of this Schooling Problem. Anyway, what is wrong, I repeat, with putting temporary structures on the school buildings, or with Grant-in-Aid Schools' operating two sessions a day to absorb a portion of the non-schooling children? Why are these suggestions impracticable?

In conclusion, I beg to enclose for your personal file, a letter from the Principal of one of the English schools into which I said in my last letter that my children failed to gain admission last year. For almost a year now, my children's names have been on the 'waiting list' of this school, and now, while the present scholastic year is still un-ended, I am informed by this principal that there will be no vacancies for my children in the school NEXT YEAR; and (the irony of it!) the Principal wishes to know whether I desire to have my children's names remain on the waiting list for 1948-1950!

I suppose I had better; for who knows the Authorities wouldn't still be tackling the problem then.

TIMON TYDE.

H.K. Light Orchestra

Sir, The Secretary of the Hong Kong Light Orchestra would like for it to be made known that the article (although complimentary) which appeared in Friday's "China Mail" in respect to the Orchestral Concert at the YMCA, did not come from any official source. However, the Secretary extends his thanks for the interest shown in relation to the Orchestra.

H. V. ARDY.
Hon. Secretary.

FRENCH MEMORIAL SERVICE

A Memorial Service commemorating French members of the local community who fell during the Battle of Hong Kong was held yesterday at the Cenotaph.

More than 50 French nationals, led by M. G. R. Jobez, French Consul-General, attended the Service. A wreath in French colours was laid at the foot of the Cenotaph by M. Jobez.

Yesterday was chosen for the service to coincide with the date on which General de Gaulle in 1940 established a Free French Government in exile following the occupation of France by Germany.

LAST NIGHT'S CONCERT

A large number of music lovers were entertained to a well-balanced programme of light music when the Hong Kong Light Orchestra made its second public performance at the European Club, West, on last night.

Nightsoil Barges

Sir,—As residents in Connaught Road Central, in the vicinity of The Custodian Wharf, we would like to express, through the medium of your columns, our strong disapproval of the action of the Sanitary Department in allowing conservancy barges to tie up alongside the sea wall between The Custodian Wharf and the Sincere Co. from 6 p.m. each day until 7 a.m. the next morning.

Apart from the fact that the nauseating smell which comes from these barges is most annoying, particularly at meal time, it is felt that the presence of the barges over such an extended period of time in the present hot weather, is a serious menace to health and likely to contribute to the spread of disease.

On many occasions, the awning on the barges has been completely removed.

It is believed that no great hardship would be entailed if the Sanitary Department were to arrange for the barges in question to come alongside the sea wall about midnight, when the task of collecting night soil usually begins.

In view of the recent Health Campaign which was conducted by Government in the interests of the public, it is hoped that immediate action will be taken to relieve us from the unenviable position in which we are placed.

DISGUSTED RESIDENTS.

Disease Prevention

Sir,—I am truly amazed that officials and employees of the Kowloon Omnibus Company make no efforts to enforce the "No Spitting" regulation in their vehicles.

I agree that notices are prominently displayed stating that offenders are subject to prosecution, nevertheless, their responsibility does not end there, according to recent experience, nothing is being done to enforce the regulation, which makes the position farcical, to say the least.

Today I had the unfortunate experience of sitting next to a very brazen offender, in my opinion this particular individual was a champion at this local vice. I duly protested to the individual and the conductor, the offender was not even reproved, certainly did not deter him from repeating the performance.

We have recently had a Health Week in this Colony, and have been given over the Radio how to prevent the spreading of disease etc., cooperation of the public has been asked for, yet in my opinion the Health authorities are sadly lacking in taking elementary precautions for the prevention of disease.

I would respectfully suggest that officials of the Health Department visit the Junction of Peking and Canton Road, there they will see hundreds of Godown Coolies and workers, casual labourers I presume, sitting about waiting for a job, owing to the fact of there being no public conveniences in this area, (correct me if I'm wrong) have to obey "nature's call" in any convenient spot available, usually in an alley opposite the Market in Peking Road.

It does not need much imagination, especially in this hot weather to realize the result, it is nothing but a breeding ground for flies, mosquitoes, and disease, furthermore it is also the cause of considerable embarrassment to female employees of firms operating in this area.

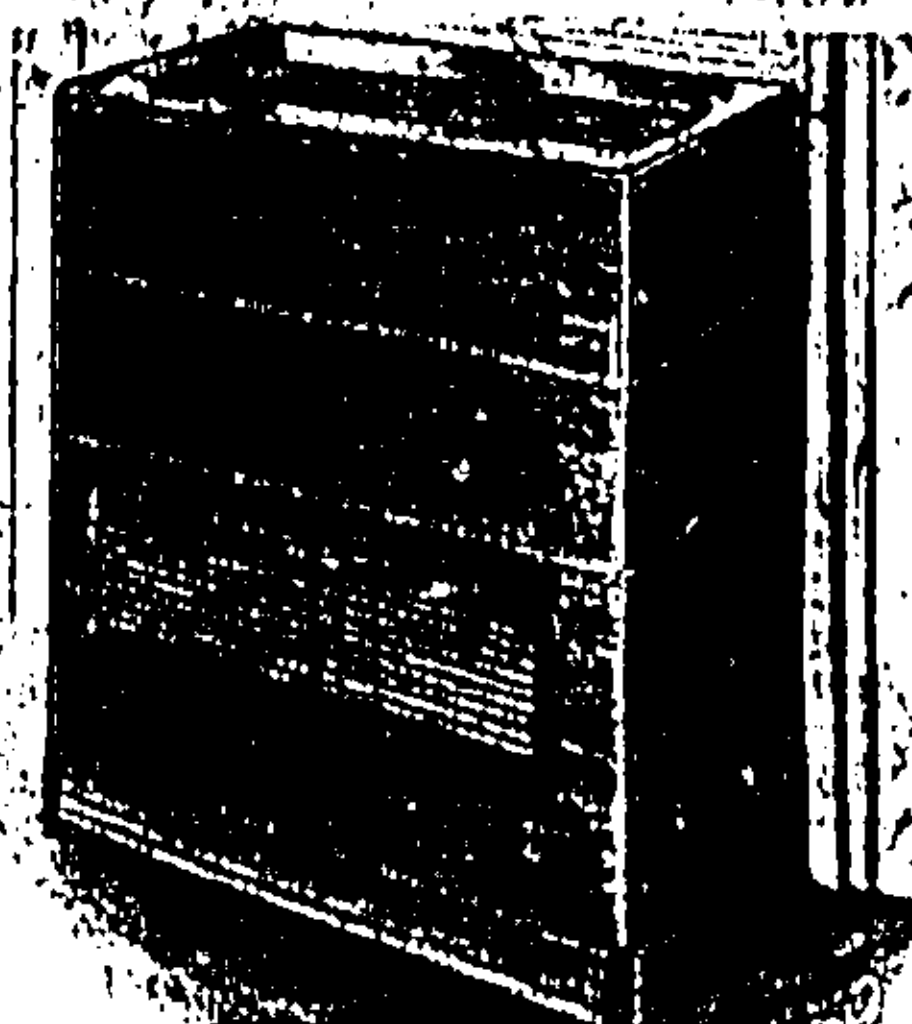
I would therefore suggest that the Health Department invest in building a suitable conveniences for the use of these unfortunate individuals, it would, I feel sure, pay handsome dividends, not in gold, but in prevention of disease etc.

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Re-electing Directors and
Auditors.

The Register of Shares of
the Company will be closed
from Thursday, 10th June,
1948, to Wednesday, 23rd June,
1948, both days inclusive,
during which period no trans-
fer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of
Directors.

H. DA LUZ,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th June, 1948.

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Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Twenty-first Ordinary
Yearly Meeting of the Share-
holders in the Company will
be held at the Offices of the
General Managers, Mezzanine
Floor, Windsor House, Hong
Kong, on Wednesday 30th
June, 1948, at 11.30 a.m. for
the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors to-
gether with Statement of
Accounts and re-electing
Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board
of Directors,
G. MILNE
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th June, 1948.

UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

NOTICE.

Because of the excessive
number of applications and
following the recommendation
of the Cohen Report on Medi-
cal Education, applicants for
entry into 1st year courses in
the Medical Faculty of this
University who have been
pronounced eligible will be
required to appear before a
Selection Committee to sit at
the University in the last week
of August; and they will be
notified individually by the
Registrar of the dates and
times of interview.

No student will be admitted
unless accepted by this Com-
mittee; and applicants from
overseas appearing before the
Committee will themselves
take the risk of rejection and
of a possibly wasted journey
to Hong Kong.

B. MELLOR
Registrar.

POLICE NOTICE

ANNUAL LICENSING OF VEHICLES FOR PERIOD 1st JULY 1948 TO 30th JUNE, 1949

1. DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF LICENSING:

Licensing will commence on Monday, 21st June, 1948,
at 9 a.m., and will continue daily, closing at 4 p.m., Satur-
days, Sundays and Public Holidays excepted.

2. PLACE OF LICENSING:

All licensing will take place at Central Police Station,
Hollywood Road, entrance from main door in Hollywood
Road.

3. ORDER OF LICENSING:

Vehicles will be licensed in "blocks" of 300 per day
commencing with Nos. 1-300 on Monday, 21st June and
continuing as follows:—

	Private Cars & Motorcycles
Monday, 21st June	Motor Cars 1-300
Tuesday, 22nd June	Motor Cycles 1-100
Wednesday, 23rd June	Motor Cars 301-600
Thursday, 24th June	Motor Cycles 101-200
Friday, 25th June	Motor Cars 601-900
Monday, 28th June	Motor Cycles 201-300
Tuesday, 29th June	Motor Cars 901-1200
Wednesday, 30th June	Motor Cycles 301-400
Thursday, 1st July	Motor Cars 1201-1500
Friday, 2nd July	Motor Cycles 401-500
Monday, 5th July	Motor Cars 1501-1800
Tuesday, 6th July	Motor Cycles 501-600
Wednesday, 7th July	Motor Cars 1801-2100
Thursday, 8th July	Motor Cycles 601-700
Friday, 9th July	Motor Cars 2101-2400
Monday, 12th July	Motor Cycles 701-800
Tuesday, 13th July	Motor Cars 2401-2700
Wednesday, 14th July	Motor Cycles 801-900
Thursday, 15th July	Motor Cars 2701-3000
Friday, 16th July	Motor Cycles 901-1000
Monday, 19th July	Motor Cars 3001-3300
Tuesday, 20th July	Motor Cycles 1001-1100
Wednesday, 21st July	Motor Cars 3301-3600
Thursday, 22nd July	Motor Cycles 1101-1200
Friday, 23rd July	Motor Cars 3601-3900
Monday, 26th July	Motor Cycles 1201-1300
Tuesday, 27th July	Motor Cars 3901-4200
Wednesday, 28th July	Motor Cycles 1301-1400
Thursday, 29th July	Motor Cars 4201-4500
Friday, 30th July	Motor Cycles 1401-1500

	Commercial Vehicles
Wednesday, 21st July	5001-5300
Thursday, 22nd July	5301-5600
Friday, 23rd July	5601-5900
Monday, 26th July	5901-6200
Tuesday, 27th July	6201-6500
Wednesday, 28th July	6501-6800
Thursday, 29th July	6801-7000

Owners are requested to ensure that vehicles are licensed
on the day allotted and shown in the above table. Vehicles
will not be licensed out of turn. Any vehicle not licensed
on the day allotted will be licensed on 30th or 31st July,
1948.

4. FEES:

The scale of fees for private cars, motor cycles and
commercial vehicles is as follows:—

	Private Motor Cars
Not over 15 cwt.	\$ 54.00
Over 15 cwt. but not over 20 cwt.	\$ 72.00
Over 20 cwt. but not over 25 cwt.	\$ 90.00
Over 25 cwt. but not over 30 cwt.	\$ 108.00
Over 30 cwt. but not over 40 cwt.	\$ 144.00
Over 40 cwt.	\$ 180.00
	Private Motor Cycles
Solo	\$ 18.00
Combination	\$ 24.00
Hand Trucks	\$ 48.00
	Commercial Vehicles (Pneumatic Tyres)
Not over 15 cwt.	\$ 54.00
Over 15 cwt. but not over 30 cwt.	\$ 90.00
Over 30 cwt. but not over 45 cwt.	\$ 135.00
Over 45 cwt. but not over 60 cwt.	\$ 180.00
Over 60 cwt. but not over 80 cwt.	\$ 360.00
Over 80 cwt.	\$ 600.00

	Any other commercial vehicle:
Over 15 cwt. but not over 50 cwt.	\$ 405.00
Over 50 cwt. but not over 80 cwt.	\$ 810.00

Over 100 cwt. commercial vehicle will not be licensed.
Owners should produce the vehicle licence book and the
appropriate fee should be paid in cash.

5. Drivers' licences will not be renewed at the same
time as vehicle licences. A further press notice will shortly
appear giving details of renewal arrangements.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,
HONG KONG.

Hong Kong, 18th June, 1948.

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IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED, for
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order to facilitate the annual
renewal of vehicle licences
and for the convenience of the
general public, the issue of
learners' licences to drive
motor vehicles, is hereby sus-
pended until further notice
with effect from Friday, 18th
June, 1948.

Renewals of existing licences
only, will be dealt with.

COMMISSIONER OF
POLICE.

Hong Kong, 17th June, 1948.

NOTICE.

CAMBRIDGE OVERSEAS SCHOOL LEAVING

CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

The Cambridge School
Leaving Examination will be
held in Hong Kong in Decem-
ber, 1948. Entry Forms for
Private Students may be
obtained from the Education
Office, 3rd Floor, Windsor
House, and should be returned
by June 30th. Students
attending Schools in the
Colony must forward their
entries through the Heads of
their Schools.

G. F. REES,
p. Director of Education.
16th June, 1948.

R.H.K.Y.C. PIRATES' BALL.

Transport to Kellett Island:

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From Queen's Pier at 8, 9
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ous ferry service.

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To B.A.T. Steps only, except
for boats to Kowloon at
12.30 and 1.30 a.m.

NATURALIZATION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that Hannes Gerhart Amann
of the University, Hong Kong,
is applying to the Governor
for naturalization, and that any
person who knows any reason
why naturalization should not
be granted should send a writ-
ten and signed statement of
the facts to the Colonial Secre-
tary, Hong Kong.

NOTICE

HONG KONG TELEPHONE CO., LTD.

The midsummer issue of the Telephone Directory is
now ready for distribution. Subscribers are therefore re-
quested to call at the Company's Offices, Exchange
Building, Des Voeux Road Central, on the days set out
below to collect their Directories. The Directories will
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buted by the Post Master General.

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	Telephone Numbers	20000 to 21999
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" 25th	"	30000 to 31999
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" 28th	"	36000 to 37999
" 29th	"	38000 to 39999
" 30th	"	40000 to 41999
July 1st	"	42000 to 43999
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Directories will only be issued to subscribers on the
days allotted to them, and if a subscriber is unable to
collect his Directory on that day he should not apply
again until the distribution is completed, i.e. until Mon-
day, 6th July.

S. GROVE,
Secretary.

43 KILLED IN AIR CRASH

Mount Carmel, Penn. June 17.
Forty-three persons were killed when a huge DC6
airliner struck a high tension wire carrying
60,000 volts and plunged in flames on to a
sparsely wooded area five miles from this cool-
mining town today.

Eye witnesses said the aircraft "completely disinte-
grated" after hitting the wire, scattering a
mass of wreckage and bodies around an area
of 1,000 feet.

Among 39 passengers were
Earl Carroll, the famous
American theatrical figure;
Mrs. Anita Oakie, former
wife of the screen com-
edian, Jack Oakie and
Beryl Wallace, Hollywood
Beauty and a star at Car-
roll's theatre in the film
capital.

A crew of four was taking
the plane from San Diego,
Calif., to New York.

A newspaper reporter said the
scene was one of "gruesome
tragedy and desolation." He ad-
ded "bodies were blown to the
very top of the 100 foot high
mountain at the foot of which
the plane crashed."

An area of more than an
acre of scrub land was set
ablaze by the flaming wreck-
age. Scattered about were
pieces of luggage, articles of
clothing and a number of
photographs of Hollywood
stars.

Another eyewitness said
"turned to look up and saw a mass
of fire, explosions, plane wreck-
age and bodies hurtling through
the air."

"Living Hell"

"Flames and smoke flew about
90 feet in the air. The whole
scene looked like a living hell."
Two and a half hours after the
crash, Coroner John Evans said
10 bodies had been recovered.
"We do not expect to get any
more," he said.

Ed Darlington, of Radio Sta-
tion WGN at nearby Bloom-
burg, said there was no sign of
life and apparently everyone was
killed.

"Bodies and arms and legs
were strewn all over the place.
The plane just broke up into
little pieces. One of the engines
was the biggest thing left."

Was in Hong Kong

Earl Carroll, born at Pitts-
burgh, went to Manila in 1908 at
the age of 18, then to Hong Kong
where he edited an English lan-
guage paper.

After Hong Kong, Carroll sold
Bibles in the interior of China
and later organized, managed
and pitched for a Japanese base-
ball team.

Returning to New York in
1912 he launched out as a song
writer with a large firm of music
publishers. Later he appeared
in vaudeville and started on a
career that was to make him one
of the best known showmen of
his time.

His many musical productions,
for which he wrote both music
and lyrics, made him famous.

Best known of his shows were
his "Earl Carroll Vanities," most
of which he wrote himself.

"Beautiful Girls"

He built the Carroll Theatre-
Restaurant in Hollywood which
he opened in December, 1938
with a revue "Broadway to
Hollywood."

During the first world war he
served as a US pilot. He was
long famed as a proponent of
the "Most beautiful girls in the
world."

After years of glorifying wom-
en on the New York stage
Carroll created his Hollywood
restaurant, mecca for movie-
land visitors.

"Through these portals pass the
most beautiful girls in the world,"
was the slogan of his restaurant,
and the girls seldom heeded his
claims.

In 1926, he paid a \$2,000 fine
and served four months of a
one year sentence in Atlanta
federal prison on a charge of per-
jury in connection with a bath-
tub theatre party.

Carroll's conviction followed
police investigation which dis-
closed that an undraped show-
girl served male guests with
champagne from a wine filled
bathtub.

Carroll frankly admitted that
women were his life study.

Miss Wallace, leading lady of
his show since the restaurant
opened in 1938, was rated as one
of his prize discoveries. Asso-
ciated Press and United Press.

Banishes' Excuses

Three returned banisheses,
Chung Shun-wu alias Li Tin
alias Chung Sang alias Chung
Shan, Lam Wing alias Lam
Man, and Lo Man-so alias Tai
So, who pleaded guilty to a
charge of Breach of a Deporta-
tion order, were each sen-
tenced by Mr. Justice E. H.
Williams (Chief Justice), to
three years' hard labour yes-
terday.

Chung-claimed that he had re-
turned to the Colony for the
purpose of meeting a brother who
is alleged to have returned recently
from Holland. Lam said he was
passing through Hong Kong on
his way to Swatow, where he in-
tended to visit his sick mother.

A fourth accused, Chau Ming
alias Chan Ming, who also plead-
ed guilty to the same offence
and who admitted a long list of
previous convictions, was sentenced
to imprisonment for three years
and six months.

Mr. A. Lonsdale conducted the
case for the prosecution in each
case.

TAXIDRIVER WAS SMOKING

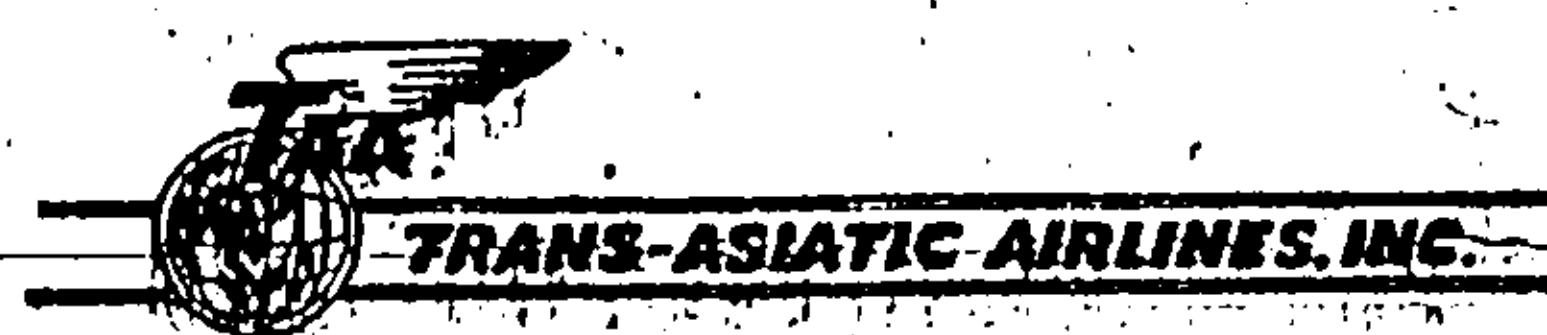
On a summons of smoking
while driving a public vehicle
and speeding, Tsang Kam
driver of lorry 6720, was fined
\$25 by Mr. W. H. Latimer at
Kowloon yesterday.

DSI Donald Brown said that
defendant was stopped by Traffic
Sub-Inspector Watt at Nathan
Road. He had clocked the speed
of Tsang's lorry at between 25
to 28 miles per hour between
Dundas Street and Soy Street.
Defendant, when stopped, was
found to be smoking a cigarette.

BLOOD BANK APPEAL

A Blood Bank Service for the
general public has been started by
St. John's Ambulance Brigade.
More than 50 volunteers have
been registered. The Brigade
hopes to enroll 1,000.

Volunteers may register at an
office in the Post Office Building
where a doctor will be present,
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COMMUNISM
IN ASIA

While there must be widespread agreement with Mr. Bevin's doctrine of toleration in relation to political events in Burma, the grave outbreak of violence in Malaya and the cowardly murder of several British planters reflects the grim potentialities of the development in Asia of Communist organisations embracing the same doctrines of single party intolerance as have swamped Eastern Europe.

With such open lawlessness as is manifest in Malaya it is relatively easy to deal in the first instance. A menace of such a nature permits of only one recourse, the application of force.

The real danger of Communism in Asia, however, is shown less in its immediate manifestations than in its lie on the future. From the earliest times of Russian imperialism, Russian interest has alternated between East and West. Moscow may well decide that it is foolish to risk gambling too high in the West when in the East there may prove to be an empire for the taking. Moreover, it may think that paramountcy in Asia must lead ultimately to paramountcy in Europe. Already there are plentiful signs that the Soviet Government is backing down in Europe. The surprisingly new accommodating spirit in Berlin, the taking of the initiative towards a Danube settlement, the decision to co-operate with the Trusteeship Council, may be hocus-pocus, or it may be indicative of a change in the trend of Russian policy.

The opportunity for Russia in Asia is not unlike that which lay before it at the end of the war in Europe. In the Balkans, there was on one side a discontented peasantry and on the other a middle class too small and too badly shaken to be able to carry on its former dominant role. Russia's skill in its penetration of those countries has been to moderate its Communism and offer them only the selection from it which would appeal to their particular needs.

Similarly in Asia. Those areas that have been under Western rule or influence are endowed with institutions of Western European life, but they have upper and middle classes too weak to defend them. The masses of the people and the growing new classes of technicians, clerks and foremen are not interested in the liberal state. But they respond all too readily to the appeal of a carefully moderated Communism on the new Eastern European pattern.

Socialisation of industry and the ending of landlordism—the two principal planks in the platform of Thakir Nu—are promises which penetrate to the centre of their direct interest. On the face of it, the programme goes little beyond mild Socialism, but it might nevertheless put the Communist machine in control of Asia. The Communists offer a career of immediate leadership to the young and energetic and campaign against privilege, the ban of Oriental Society. Communist parties therefore flourish in most of the small Asiatic countries: in Burma, Ceylon, Indo-China, India, and Malaya. The situation in Burma and Malaya is especially disturbing.

WHEN THE BUFFS WORE
FROCK COATS

Writing in "The Dragon" the regimental paper of The Buffs, a writer who signs himself "J.C." muses on the astonishing variations in regimental dress that used to obtain and, as he says, "how brief and fleeting was their vogue."

He writes: "Consider the period 1800 to 1910. First there was Levee Dress, a matter of scarlet tunic, with gold belt, gold and crimson sash, gold laced overalls, gold faced slings and helmet. I remember the handsome sword knot of gold with a scarlet thread running through it, the whole topped up with the helmet, a Prussian importation. I believe this dress was whittled down after the Boer War. Away went the gold lace on the overalls, the gold belt was replaced by a crimson one, and the sash discarded. "Next in order of precedence perhaps, was the Frock Coat introduced after the Boer War. The Frock Coat was of fine blue cloth with brass buttons, double breasted, and worn with crimson sash, gold slings and sword, the head-dress being the new blue cap with a peak. This was the dress for those attending Courts Martial. It was also worn on special occasions. White dog skin gloves were worn with this as also with the tunic.

Red Patrol "The Red Patrol although unpopular, was at any rate very picturesque to look at, and was the general every day kit. Worn with this was the blue forage cap with three small buttons on the front edge and a buff knob with a little dragon on it. A very smart cap and still worn during World War II although strictly unauthorised. The Blue Patrol superseded the Red, but for a short time they were contemporary. The Blue Patrol was worn on duty with sword and

as such it was known. I think only one officer had the nerve to do it and that was the C.O. Colonel Backhouse. The knicker plus four inches came in later and was I believe, copied from the Foot Guards. "The overcoat of the 1800 vintage deserves a mention. It was a garment that I regretted to discard more than any other. A splendid coat made of the finest cloth, dark grey in colour it was thick, warm and almost waterproof and moreover extremely smart. It had a cape that could be attached, which gave it an added air of dignity, with richly gilt fastenings. This cape was chiefly worn by itself when in Mess kit.

Best Forgotten

"Such was the wardrobe during the period. I have omitted one or two things. One such is the stowaway leggings, is best forgotten. A most impractical contraption of leather and a long strap which wound round the leg. The always bulged and never looked well even on the best "leg-for-a-boot." It was followed, anyhow unofficially, by the "Hammond" and that again by the "Sparkhall," an affair of hooks and a lace. We affected these in the 5th M.I. where the Battalion furnished a company. We also had a very elegant silver-plated spur.

The fashion in helmets has also undergone changes. The somewhat cavernous affair that we commenced the Boer War in gave way to the "Gypsy." I remember official disapproval of this type until one day the subaltern in a body appeared all dressed in them. They were so obviously so much smarter that we got away with it.

Talking of helmets, we were astonished on visiting Manila (latitude 14 deg. 35') to find that the Yanks never wore anything but Panama's whereas we in Hong Kong (latitude 22 deg. 10') never ventured out unless under a sun hat.

Well, the British Army is now berated and battle-dressed with a most despondent effect on the Boys of the Old Brigade. How sloppy they appear and in many cases slovenly to the eye of those who used to apparel themselves in the gay uniforms that I have mentioned. However much one may regret their passing, there is little doubt that they have gone for good, and we shall have to be content to see His Majesty's Household Troops reflect the departed glories with their breast plates and bearskins, which will always bring a catch to the throat, as they proudly pass in Royal processions, a colourful echo of the "Good Old Days."

Buttoned Knickers!

"With the end of the Boer War the Service Dress was changed from the drab coloured material, much as it is to-day. The tunic had a high collar with a detachable white linen collar on the inside. The breeches were replaced by knickers buttoned at the knee and the puttee had a strap which, however, did not survive very long, which is not surprising! The hat provided perhaps the biggest laugh, it being made of stiff felt with a high crown, the lower part of which was extruded and was perforated all round, which gave it the appearance of a block-house, and

Sympathy Strikes
In France

Paris, June 17.

The Communist-dominated Confederation Generale du Travail tonight called a one-hour strike of all workers, civil servants, railway and public services employees for Saturday in sympathy with the striking tyre factory workers at Clermont Ferrand.

The strike was called also as a protest against "police aggression," a CGT announcement tonight said.

In Marseilles, dockers, metal workers and railway men stopped work for half an hour today in sympathy with the Clermont Ferrand strikers. Telephone communications between Paris and Clermont Ferrand, the strike-bound "battlefield" town in central France, was cut off today at noon after a truce on the barricades and a new meeting between the strikers and officials.

At the Central Telephone Exchange, some operators opposed their non-Communist Union colleagues who wanted to continue work. Many telephonists found themselves on the wrong side of the barricades and not enough operators remained to operate the telephone and telegraph services.

121 Injured

Since the clashes began in the town early yesterday, 17 strikers and 104 policemen have been injured. Inspector General Pierre Berthaux, of the Ministry of the Interior, said today.

He added that 65 strikers were now under arrest and 1,500 police were patrolling the town.

The town was quiet this morning and the only factories still operating in the strike were the Bergougnan factory—scene of the original trouble—the three

Cabinet Changes

Meanwhile there are persistent reports that the French Premier, M. Schuman, plans changes in his coalition cabinet as a result of the present labour unrest and the Government's slim foreign affairs victory.

It is widely reported that M. Schuman would drop M. Bidault, the French Foreign Minister within a few weeks for alleged health reasons. The most talked of candidates to succeed him is former Premier M. Paul Reynaud who impressed the National Assembly with a one hour speech in the foreign affairs debate last night, or the Minister of Finance and National Economy, M. Rene Mayer.

Some reports said that the Minister of Interior, M. Jules Moch, also might be fired. This is not likely during the present period of labour unrest in which M. Moch is directly responsible for maintaining order inside the country.—United Press.

STRIKE
VIOLENCE

Georgetown, British Guiana, June 16.

Two overseers and seven East Indian labourers were beaten with sticks yesterday by strikers at the Nonpareil sugar estate, 15 miles from Georgetown, in an attempt, it is believed, to intimidate non-strikers.

The men were not injured seriously and only three received hospital treatment. Police reinforcements were sent from Georgetown.

The East Indian Association has called Mr. Arthur Green Jones, Secretary for the Colonies, requesting an investigation into conditions on British Guiana sugar estates.

The Association described them as "intolerable and claimed workers were paid 'starvation wages.'"—Reuter.

REPUBLICANS BEGIN
PLATFORM WRITING

Washington, June 17.

Republicans today began to write their 1948 campaign platform on which the odds favour them to win the first Presidential election since Herbert Hoover beat the late Al Smith 23 years ago. Plank drafting began in a flurry of excitement.

It was over reports that Senator Arthur Vandenberg would toss his considerable influence toward the nomination of Thomas Dewey.

The Senator would remain chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and count himself one of the powerful three-man foreign relations team. This was bad news for Harold E. Stassen and Robert A. Taft.

Taft's campaign manager summoned a press conference to declare that the report was untrue. He said that a "very close friend" of Vandenberg's had denied the whole business and that the Senator had made no commitments to anyone direct or implied. When the United Press asked Vandenberg about it in Washington, he replied, "I've got nothing to say about it."

Stassen led the parade of candidates to town today, arriving early with Mrs. Stassen and their two children. The Vandenberg report jolted the Taft and Stassen camps hard.

Strictly Informal

Platform writing this week is strictly informal and will have no real authority until the Republican National Convention meets.

KASHMIR ISSUE
MEDIATION

Geneva, June 17.

The United Nations Kashmir Commission hopes to finish the first stage of its work of mediation in the India-Pakistan dispute in time to report to the General Assembly opening in Paris in September, it was learned here today.

The Commission, which is holding preliminary meetings in Geneva before flying out to India at the end of June, aims to complete its first report by October 1.

At two lengthy meetings today, the Commission continued to private their discussion of procedure. Mr. Erik Coleban, veteran Norwegian diplomat and former Ambassador in London, is expected to arrive in Geneva from Oslo tonight to join the Commission as a personal representative of Mr. Trygve Lie, the United Nations Secretary General.

Special Plane

The United Nations Kashmir Commission may have a special plane put at their disposal by the United Nations for their "on the spot" investigation of the dispute between India and Pakistan. It was learned here today.

This would enable the Commission to speed up its work of investigation and mediation between New Delhi, Karachi and the Kashmir capital of Srinagar.

At its third meeting on procedure this morning, the five-man Commission agreed that three concurring votes should be necessary for any decision.

The Commission also decided to conduct its work in English for the sake of expediency.

For the moment all meetings of the Commission are in private, but as soon as procedure and organization are settled, it is expected some of the sessions will be open to the press.—Reuter.

Australian
Mission
For Japan

Canberra, June 16.

A Parliamentary delegation is to leave for Japan on July 2 during recess to investigate prospects for development of Australian-Japanese trade, the Army Minister, Mr. Cyril Chambers, announced today.

A delegation of four Government and three Opposition members would also study troop conditions, he said.

"Recent significant moves to re-establish certain Japanese industries make important an Australian investigation at Government level," the Minister said. It was learned in other official quarters that Australia was anxious to demonstrate at close hand the Government's concern at the delays in the Japanese peace settlement and at certain United States suggestions to build up Japan's heavy industry.—Reuter.

Rome, June 16.
The Chamber of Deputies gave a vote of confidence in Signor Alcide de Gasperi's Government tonight by 346 votes to 107.—Reuter.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



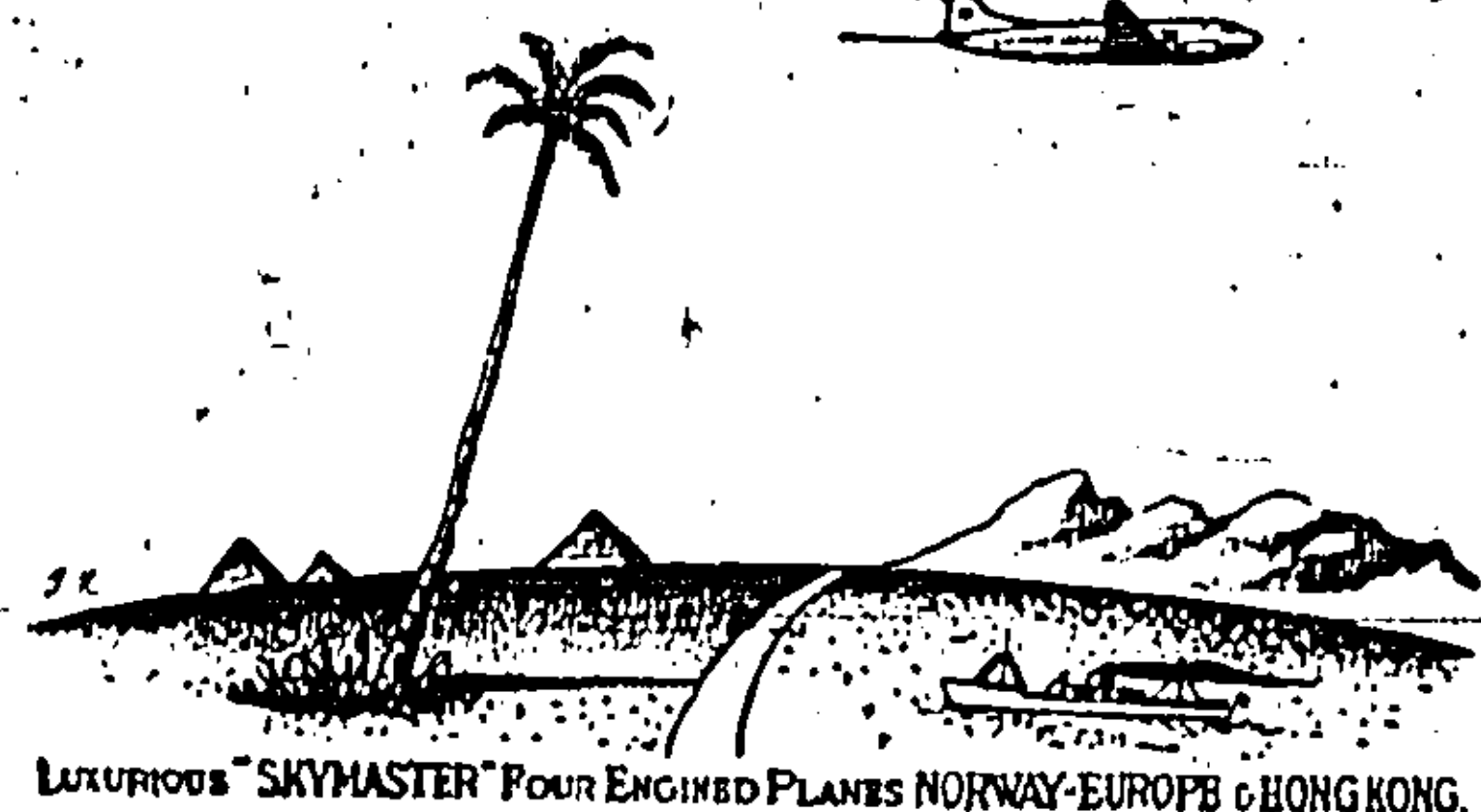
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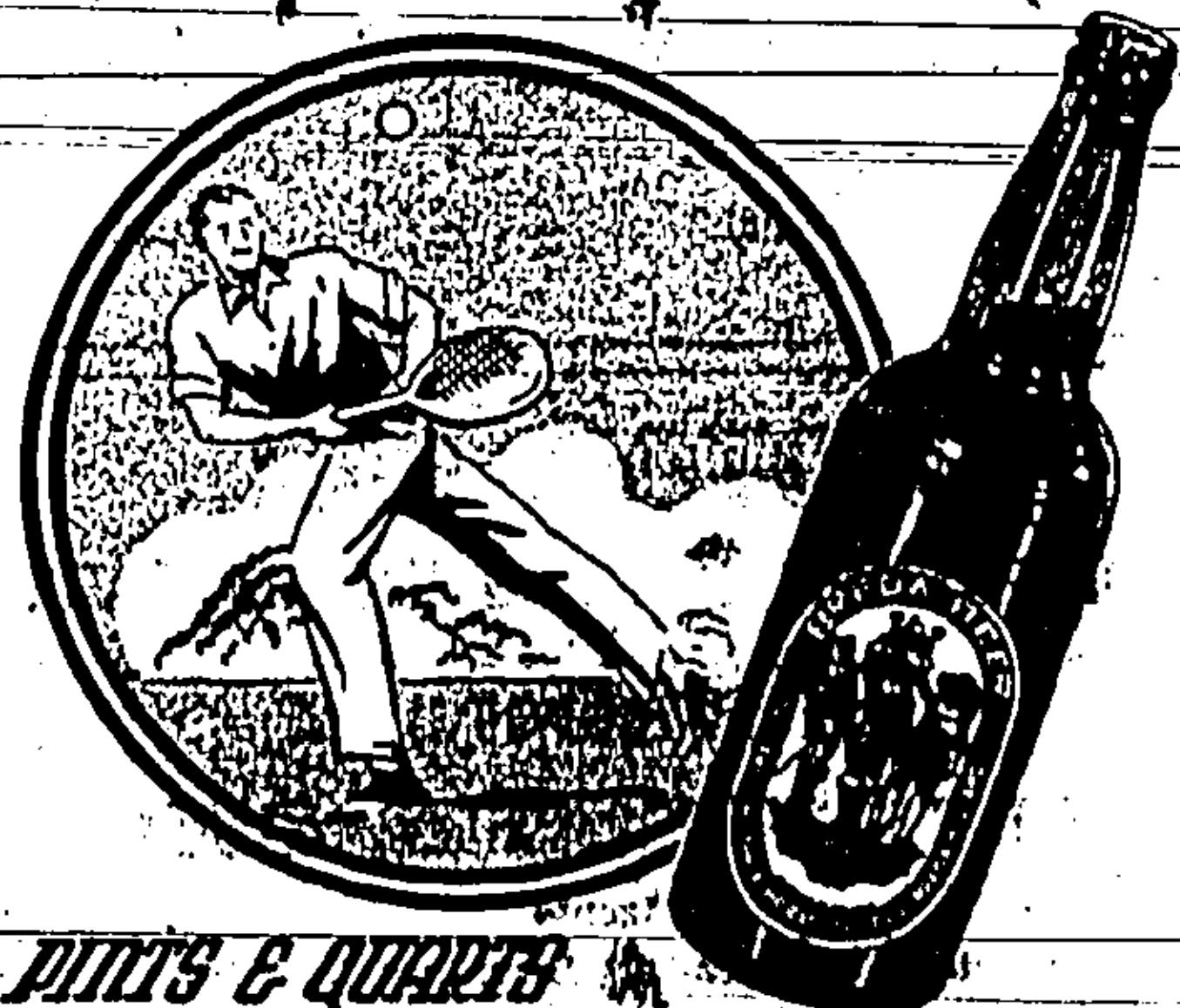
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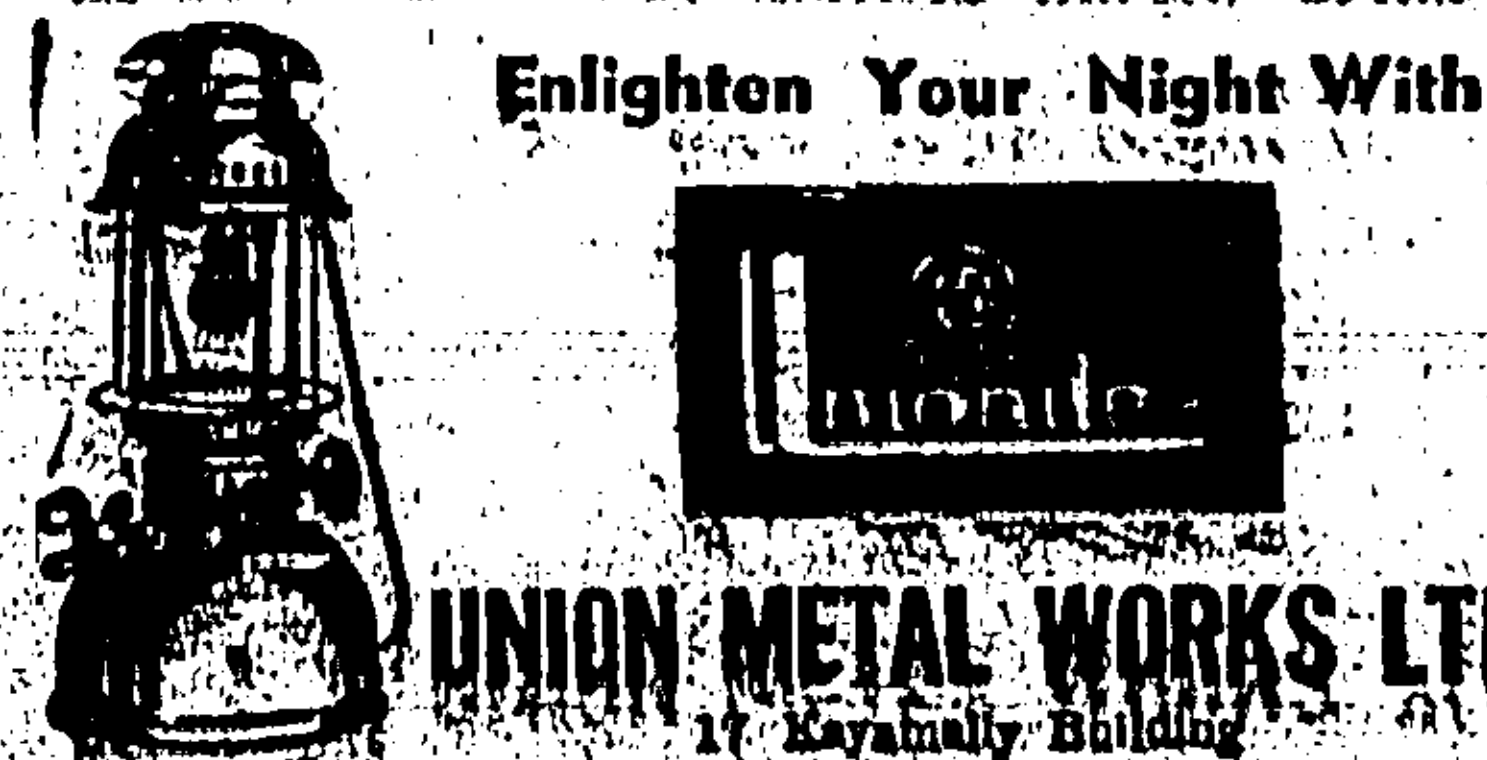
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EMERGENCY IN ALL MALAYA

Police Leave Stopped: Women Evacuated

BANDITS ATTACK JOHORE STATION

Singapore, June 17.

Emergency powers were extended to cover the whole of the Malayan Federation tonight to meet the mounting wave of lawlessness and murders in the country, it is reported unofficially here.

All police leave throughout the Federation has been cancelled, and European officers, now on leave in England, are being recalled by air, the Straits Times stated.

The latest serious incident in the disturbances occurred 20 miles north of Johore tonight, when 20 Chinese bandits attacked the police station at Jeran, on the Pontian road.

Police reinforcements were being rushed to the area. Two European estate managers in Perak narrowly escaped death today from "Communist" gangs—one armed with Sten guns and revolver.

More women and children were evacuated from the "murder area" of Sungai Siput to Ipoh, roughly 300 miles north-west of Singapore.

European planters are staying on their estates under military and police guards.

The police have arrested altogether 16 people in Kuala Lumpur, including eight seized in a raid on the headquarters of the Malayan People's Anti-Japanese Arm.

A gang, armed with Sten guns and revolvers, today raided an estate near Ipoh and asked for the manager. Finding he was out, they disappeared into the jungle.

Other "Communist" placed a barrier across the road to intercept the manager of another estate close by. His wife managed to warn him, and police were summoned to the estate.

Death Penalty

The Executive Council of the Malayan Federation today held its second emergency meeting in five days.

It was asked by the Perak State Government to declare a state of emergency throughout Perak, and not only in the area around Sungai Siput.

The High Commissioner, Sir Edward Gent, has already given emergency powers to Ipoh, Sungai Siput and some areas in Johore (Southern Malaya) to deal with the "Communist" strong-arm gang, Lui Pong Pai, which the police claim killed the three planters yesterday.

The authorities in the disturbed areas have been empowered to exact the death penalty for illegal possession of arms.—Reuter.

Gurkhas Out

Meanwhile, Gurkha troops were searching for the gangs who yesterday killed three Britons and two Chinese. Earlier, the police had arrested 40 persons in a roundup which began with a raid on the Communist newspaper offices at Kuala Lumpur, where 20 persons were

Security Now A Fact

Brussels, June 17.

The Belgian Prime Minister, M. Paul Henri Spaak, told the Senate Foreign Affairs Commission today that there was no reason to be discontented with the provisions for Germany in the six-power London agreement.

Success had been achieved as far as security is concerned, he added. This was something which was not achieved after the first World War.

Concessions had to be made by the parties to the London Conference to establish a common policy on Germany, M. Spaak said.

The six-power London recommendations were, therefore, inevitably a compromise. The maintenance of United States troops in Germany for an indefinite period was the maximum guarantee of security, the Premier added.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S SHOCK FOR INDONESIA

London, June 17.

A Foreign Office spokesman said today that Britain has accepted Dutch sovereignty over Indonesia.

The Foreign Office has given all British diplomatic missions in the area instructions no longer to honour Indonesia Republican passports, he said.

In official Whitehall circles, this was seen to mean that Britain in effect has withdrawn previous informal recognition of the Indonesian Republic.

The Foreign Office spokesman explained that Britain's attitude towards the Republic was based on the terms of an agreement signed aboard the American merchant ship Renville last January, which sought to end the Dutch-Indonesian dispute. Britain

never actually accorded full diplomatic and legal recognition to the Republic by exchanging diplomatic missions.

Other countries did, however. They included Russia, the Dominion of India and most of the Middle Eastern Arab States all of whom set up consulates in Indonesia's capital, Jogjakarta.—Associated Press.

Ironing Out Snags

Washington, June 17.

Sir Oliver Franks, the British Ambassador, and the chief Washington envoys of France and Denmark, conferred with Mr. William Thorp, the Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, today in an attempt to iron out the outstanding difficulties over the proposed bilateral aid agreements that all 16 Marshall Plan nations have to sign.

The meeting was convened at the State and the House of Representatives go into full committee to decide once and for all how many dollars the United States should provide for the European recovery programme to

Fumes Stop Broadcast

Rome, June 17.

Radio Rome was transmitting regularly today after ammonia gas fumes released by an explosion earlier caused a temporary suspension of broadcasting.

The radio reported that there had been no serious damage to the building or personnel.—Associated Press.

Poland Wants To Be Heard

Berlin, June 17.

Poland's request for a meeting of the Allied Control Council to discuss the six-power London plan for a West German Government will be considered by the four-power Inter-Allied Council Secretariat tomorrow.

The Russian delegation indicated tonight that they would attend tomorrow's meeting.

A French spokesman said: "This is the first time that a request for a Control Council meeting has been received from a nation other than the four occupying powers."

"Unless it is supported by either the British, American, French or Russian Military Governments, it will hardly result in a meeting being called," he added.

Poland's note criticised the London recommendations as disregarding the security of Germany's neighbours and asked for a Polish spokesman to be allowed to speak at a meeting of the Council.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI PROTEST TO ENVOY

Shanghai, June 18.

More than 220 faculty members and students of the University of Shanghai, another American-crested institution, has protested against the American Ambassador, Dr. J. Leighton Stuart's "intentional or unintentional wrong judgment on us" in connection with the Chinese student movement against United States aid to Japan.

In an open letter to the American envoy—the signatories criticised Dr. Stuart's statement on June 4, clarifying American policy towards Japan and added: "we have to reiterate our declaration that it is our patriotism that has prompted us to take action against the policy of your Government towards Japan."

The letter criticised the "threatening tone" of Dr. Stuart's statement and said it would be intolerable to think that American aid to China is a "kind of charity instead of evidence of genuine friendship, and that we should receive it even at the sacrifice of our self-respect."—Reuter.

British Offer To Russians

Berlin, June 17.

General Sir Brian Robertson, the British Military Governor in Germany, has offered to Marshal Vassili Sokolovsky, the Russian Military Governor, the help of British engineers to repair the Hohenwarthe bridge on the main road link between Berlin and the West.

The Russian closure of the bridge has forced traffic to make a detour of about 15 miles, use a poor road and cross the river Elbe by a ferry, causing long delays to Allied vehicles.

The Russians decided today that no more than eight vehicles an hour should be allowed over the bridge eastwards through the Anglo-Russian border control town of Helmstedt, giving the impression that the Hohenwarthe bridge had carried too much traffic before it was closed.—Reuter.

REFUGEES FROM RUMANIA

Vienna, June 17.

The United States Army authorities disclosed a plane "presumably from Bucharest" landed in Salzburg airport today with a group of anti-Communist refugees.

The authorities said the plane—a CEE of the Soviet Rumanian airlines—carried 10 passengers and a crew of four. Only one person aboard wanted to return to Rumania they said.—United Press.



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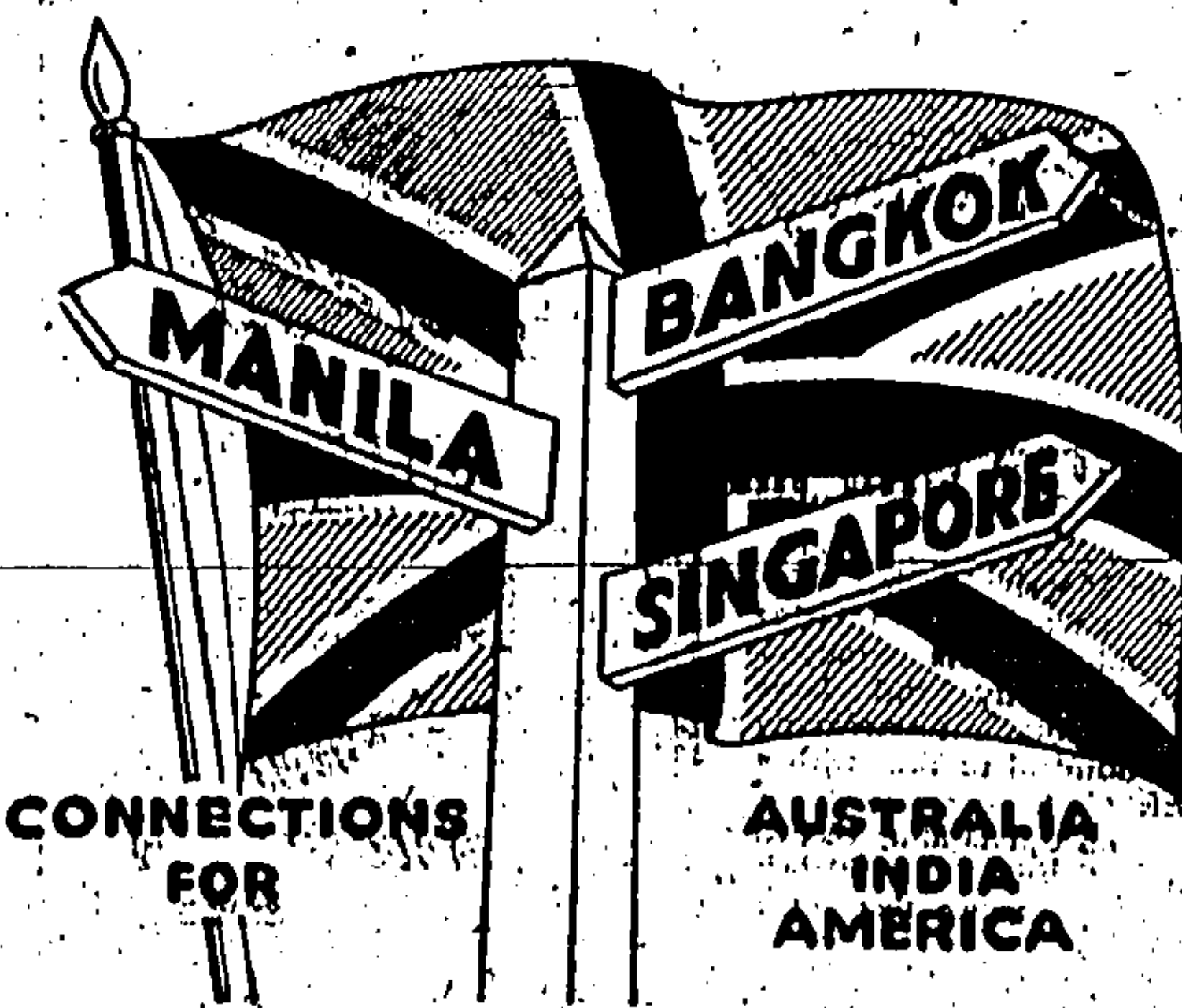
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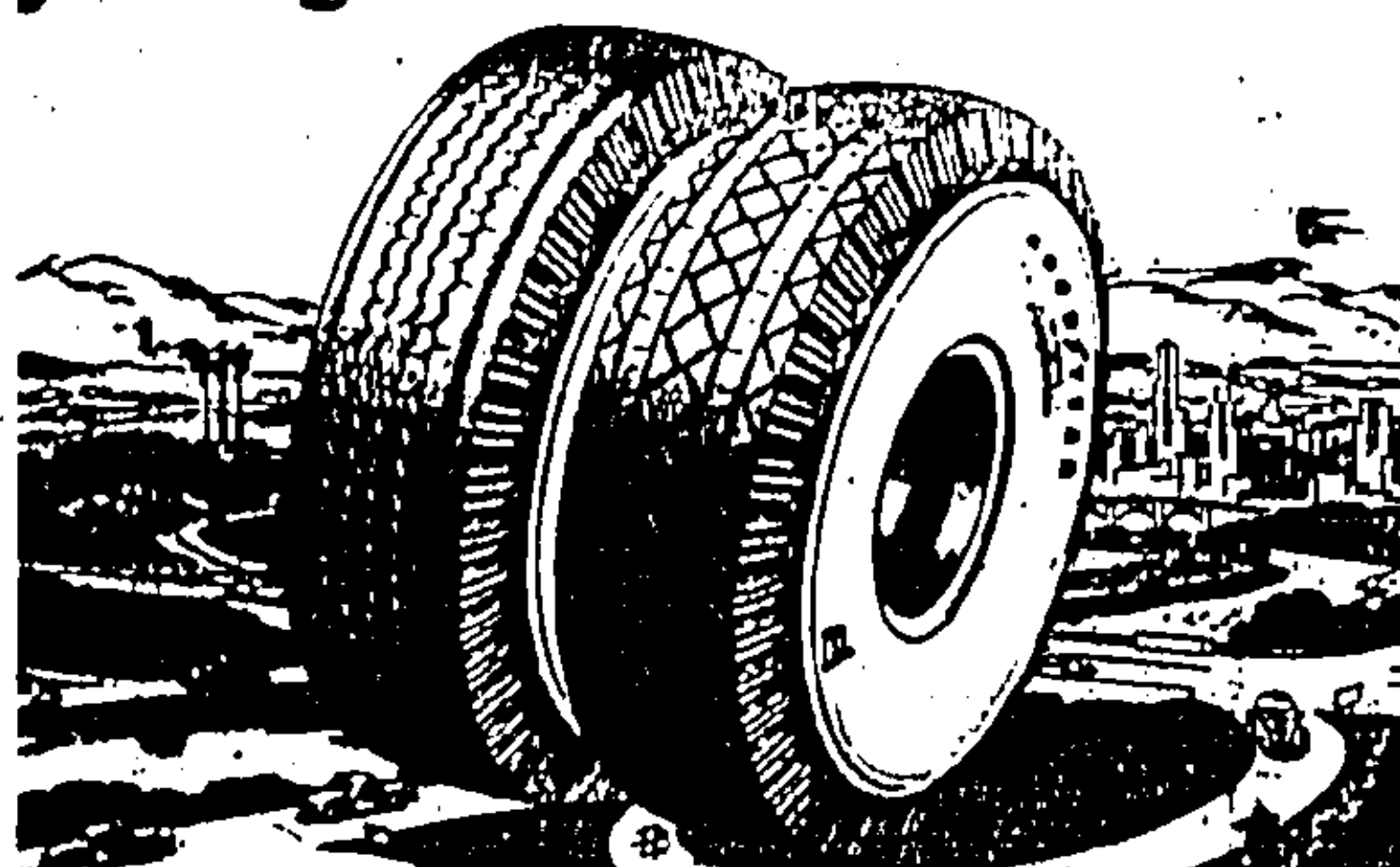


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MOTERING NEWS AND VIEWS

ADVANTAGES OF GAS TURBINES ON ROAD

Britain has produced two experimental gas turbine car engines. One is known as the Centrax and is produced by Power Jets Limited, pioneers of research in gas turbines. It develops 100-horse-power which corresponds, for taxation purposes in the United Kingdom, to

pulses of a four stroke reciprocating engine. Weight is greatly reduced and the engine is compact and easily installed. The Centrax weighs 250 pounds, is 17 inches in diameter and 60 inches long. With a two-stage six-inch diameter turbine wheel the designed speed is 40,000 to 42,000 revolutions a minute. Such a speed of rotation, 12 times faster than that of a normal car engine, introduces the problem of suitable reduction

gear to the road wheels. Noise, lubrication and reverse gear are also problems to be tackled. Particulars have also been released of a still smaller turbine with which the Rover Company, of Solihull, Birmingham, England, have been experimenting for a long time. Its turbine wheel is only five inches in diameter and at its normal design speed of 55,000 revolutions a minute develops 100 horse-power. This engine is 36 inches long, 18 inches wide and 20 inches high. It was planned as suitable for test in Rover cars.

It must be understood, of course, that a great deal of experimental work has yet to be done before the suitability of gas turbines for driving cars can be finally judged.

By Charles A.F. Austen
FORMER NEWS EDITOR OF THE LONDON "DAILY HERALD"

a horse-power rating of from 35 to 40. This unit embodies a second or "power" turbine actuated by the high velocity exhaust issuing from a comparatively normal turbo-compressor unit. This power turbine routes on a separate shaft and is geared to the driving shaft. This renders the gas turbine a practical possibility for road transport.

The advantages of gas turbines in road vehicles are perfect balance of the rotary components and continuous power output as opposed to the intermittent im-

LIGHTER WEIGHT AUTOMOBILES

Lighter weight automobiles with smaller power plants and a greatly increased gasoline mileage are among the major objectives of American car designers.

This was indicated emphatically in the formal and informal discussions of the car builders at the summer meeting of the Society of Automotive Engineers in French Lick, Indiana.

Much progress was reported in the development of smaller but more powerful engines and intensive studies are underway in the design of lighter vehicles and in fuel economy.

Some of the engineers said the car of the future will be a much smaller one than the current models. Others said it must be lighter even if it is not smaller.

Engineers and scientists of the automobile and oil industries are cooperating in the effort to increase gasoline mileage.

Experimental work in this direction is being pressed in

many ways. First, of course, is the never ending effort to improve refining processes to produce better motor car fuel without too greatly increasing its cost. The volume of average gasoline that can be produced.

Other steps include tests with catalytic systems that automatically feed low or high grade gasoline to the engine as needed, and with a device that will step up the volatility of the gasoline by injecting a solution of alcohol and water into the fuel stream.

All car engineers agree the average American automobile engine needs high quality fuel during only a very small part of its operating time. That would be primarily in cold engine starting, uphill driving or when sudden spurts of power are needed.

A great saving of fuel could be made, they add, if high octane fuel were used only as needed.

Demonstrations with the injection method of stepping up the volatility of gasoline were made with a solution containing 85 percent alcohol and 15 percent water.

Each gallon of the solution also contained a small amount of tetraethyl lead. Completely successful results were reported with the consumption of four gallons of the solution to 100 gallons of ordinary gasoline.

Still another effort at fuel economy is being made with supercharging devices. Some car makers also are making road tests with various types of power units, including jet engines and the so-called pancake type.—Associated Press.

Maintaining The Breed

An important step in maintaining and improving tyre quality has been taken by the Dunlop Company. In the last two years the Company has been developing an X-Ray testing apparatus, which is now installed as an adjunct to the normal method of inspection.

The X-ray tube is capable of penetrating a tyre sufficiently well to enable the expert eye to see clearly the interior construction without pulling the tyre to pieces.

The tyre is mounted on an adjustable stand in front of the X-ray tube with a radiographic film behind it, so that the shadows cast by the X-ray will be thrown on the light-sensitive emulsion and so produce the picture. Where a quick examination of the bead wire structure is required the tyre is mounted at eye level and the X-ray tube arranged so that the shadow image is projected on to a fluorescent screen behind the tyre.

The X-ray testing unit at Fort Dunlop is completed by the processing section, which develops the films for inspection, and by the viewing section, where the results are analyzed and recorded. Important details, such as individual strands of cord, can be observed.

RADIO EQUIPMENT FOR POLICE

Following a successful twelve-month trial of equipment installed in several vehicles, the police forces in the principal towns of Holland are soon to be provided with a v.h.f. mobile radio telephone system. A £20,000 contract has recently been received by the General Electric Co. of England for equipment comprising ten 100-W. t.m. fixed station transmitters/receivers, five 10-W. fixed stations, and fifty-two mobile units.

DRIVE ON CASTOR OIL

A new speed record for model cars may be set up soon—on a fuel mixture of ether, paraffin and castor oil.

Exact proportions of the mixture's ingredients are the secret of the car's owner, thirty-four-year old William Wesson of Melton, Mowbray.

The record stands at eight-two miles per hour.

Wesson's model is a blue streamlined scale replica of Colonel Gardner's record holding M. G. has already attained seventy miles per hour.

Only two feet long, its speed and power are enough to make it jump four feet in the air when it strikes a pebble or a rough patch of ground. It has a ten C. C. engine capable of one thousand five hundred revolutions per minute.

A new London taxi-cab has a top speed of sixty miles per hour and an anti-roll torsion bar equipment ensures no swaying. Except for the "For Hire" sign, the model has the appearance of a private car. The cab has a sixteen-horse-power engine, and has the acceleration of its private car brother in Austin range.

Like the private car, it has a luggage locker in the rear, twin interior lights, twin windscreen wipers, disc wheels and the driver is totally enclosed in a way which does not encroach upon extra luggage space on his platform. In addition to the comfort of all-weather protection, the driver can raise his seat by turning a knob. A few cabs will be ready this month and in July and the coachbuilders should have their production line in full swing in August. The price of the new taxi is £930 including purchase tax.

Record Leyland Exports

One of Britain's largest commercial vehicle makers (Leyland Motors Ltd. of Leyland, Lancashire) has just announced a new export record, the May total exceeding that of March (the previous best month) by more than £60,000.

This firm is the builder of the new Comet diesel engine vehicles specially designed for overseas. Last month 78 per cent. of Comet output went to export. This month the figure is expected to be even higher.

The value of exports shipped by these manufacturers in the last six months is almost four times greater than that of corresponding months last year, with hard currency areas such as Canada and the Argentine responsible for a substantial proportion of the business.

This Company now has a range of more than 50 models designed solely for export and ranging from 57-ton Comets to giant six wheelers for oil field use.

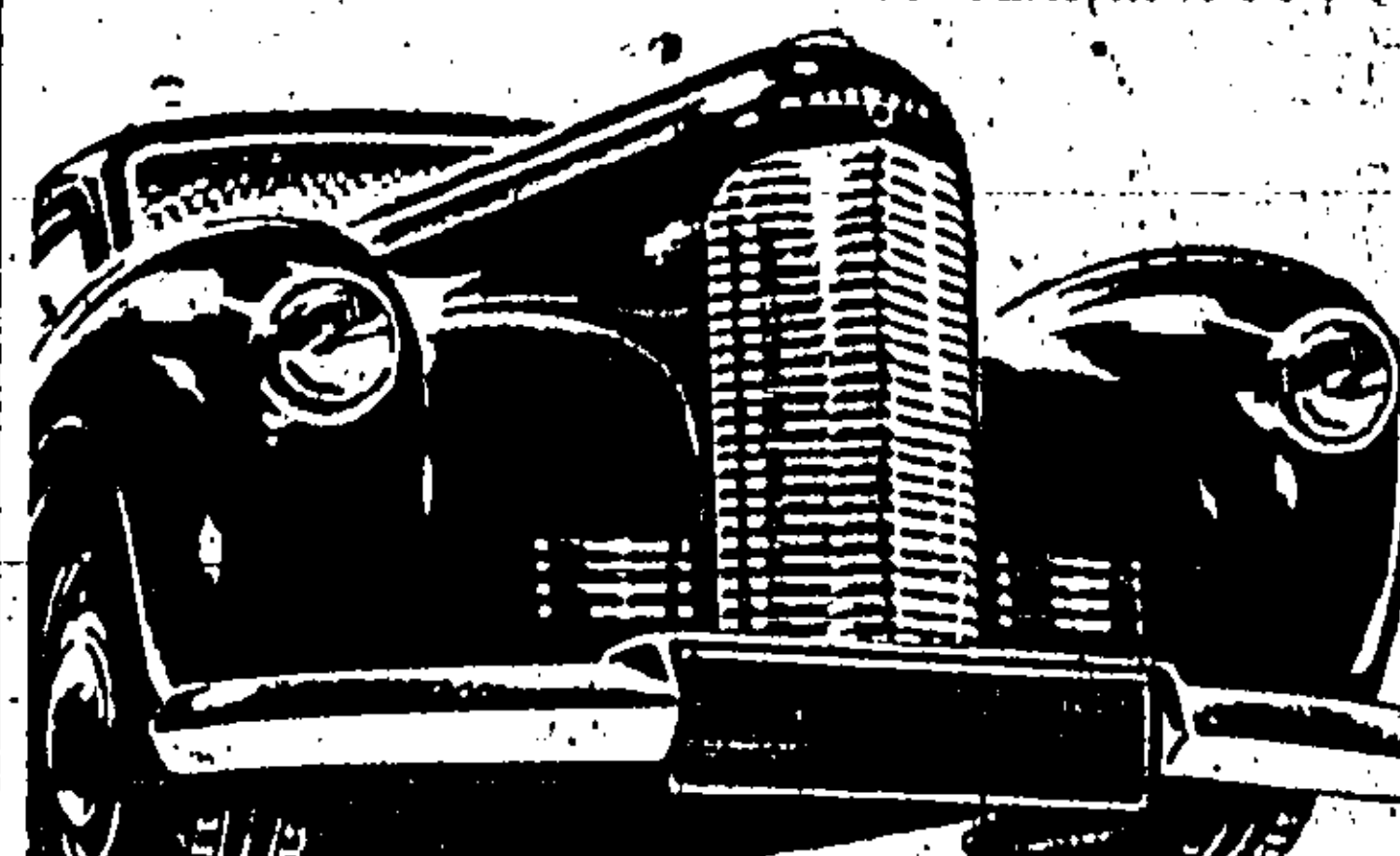
For Your Garage

The operations described in a new handbook Look After Your Car are those that can easily be carried out by any motorist with a little mechanical sense. No attempt has been made to include overhaul operations such as bearing adjustment and similar work, requiring special skill or likely to be beyond the scope of ordinary equipment.

It is also assured that the reader already possesses a good average tool kit. At the same time, hints are given that will be useful to the enthusiast who wants to lay the foundation of an efficient small workshop.

The book will be of particular value to those who are still forced to make the best of their old cars; if they carry out the advice contained in these pages they will be able to keep their cars in satisfactory condition and thus obtain the maximum pleasure on the road. Look After Your Car is written by the technical staff of The Automobile, and published at 2s. 6d. by Mills & Sons Ltd.

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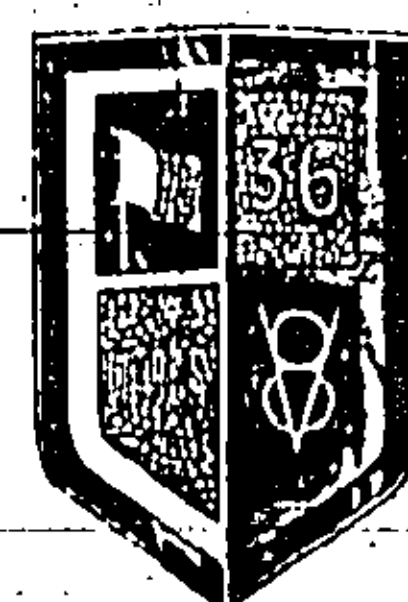
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Export Only Motor Show

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Side by side with 20 foreign makers—American, French, Italian—British manufacturers will be showing a collection of models completely redesigned, with more powerful engines. But owing to export requirements home visitors will not be able effectively to place an order for delivery for several years ahead.

The international display will enable buyers from all over the world to see in one hall all that Britain can offer in competition with America, France and Italy. It is hinted that the British makers will provide the visitors with many surprise developments. This, combined with the fact that overseas buyers can get quick delivery of British cars, is expected to result in a new flood of orders on the United Kingdom motor car industry.

BIDS FOR GERMAN PLANTS

London, June 17. Discussions of new means of allocating for reparations dismantled plants from the three Western Zones of Germany is in its final stages, it was authoritatively learned in London today.

This will take the place of the four-power Economic Directorate which had not functioned since the Russian walk-out from the Allied Control Council.

It will enable the Western occupying powers to renege the fulfilment of their obligations both to the countries represented on the Inter-Allied Reparations Agency and to Russia and Poland, who are entitled to separate deliveries from the Western Zones under the Potsdam Agreement.

The Western powers have decided that reparations obligations to Soviet Russia should continue to be honoured in the same way as those to the other reparations creditors even after the breakdown of the four-power machinery.

But the Russian position may be affected by the fact that any "bids" for specific plants scheduled for dismantling will now have to be made to three-power committees on which Russia is not represented.

The new move means a recognition of the insistence by France and the other members of the Agency that deliveries should be speeded up in the interest of European recovery.

It also means a rejection of the plea strongly advanced in the United States, and to a lesser extent, in Britain, that, in the changed conditions, dismantling should either be stopped altogether or confined to plants required by Western countries.

Any new allocations will continue to be based on the plants declared surplus to the revised level of industry which was announced last summer.—Reuter.

SPECTRE OF JAPAN

New York, June 17. The Textile Export Association of the United States said today that the "spectre of the revival of Japanese competition is haunting the important textile field."

The Association said that Japanese textiles are being offered for sale on the West Coast at prices below the cost of production of domestic manufacturers.—United Press.

Siamese Premier Feted By Chinese

Bangkok, June 17.

Prime Minister Pibul Songgram was the guest of honour at a banquet given by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Bangkok, the first function ever given by the Chinese community for the Field Marshal.

In an after-dinner speech, the Premier pledged friendship to the Chinese and declared that his return to office would not cause any discrimination against them. He referred to his previous regime and the "difficulties" that the Chinese community then experienced. "That was wartime," he said, "and not only the Chinese, but the Siamese people also had extreme difficulties to face."

He declared that the policy of his present Government was to attain close relations between Chinese and Siamese living in Siam. It was not his policy, said Marshal Pibul, to close Chinese schools or seek the removal of Chinese from their trades and professions.

He told the gathering that the Chinese and Siamese people had a common racial origin and that their parent stock came from the same country. They had shared common troubles for generations, he said, and "I see

MOOK-HATTA TALKS END

Main Differences Still Not Bridged

PROPOSAL FOR A NEW GOVERNMENT

Batavia, June 17.

The Dutch Lieutenant Governor General, Dr. Hubertus Van Mook, and the Republican Indonesian Premier, Dr. Mohamad Hatta, ended today, "for the time being," their talks on the Indonesian dispute, the Dutch Information Office announced in a communique.

The announcement, made shortly after the two leaders had met for the second time in two days, said the talks had been carried on in a friendly atmosphere and had dealt with all the main points of difference.

Both men would consult their Governments again to see how the differences can be bridged, the communique added.

Dutch and Republican spokesmen had earlier refused to comment on a report that the two leaders had discussed proposals for a new Indonesian Provisional Federal Government in which the Republic would be given several portfolios.

Dutch sources said the talks dealt with the Republic's foreign relations, defence problems, internal security and the delineation of the Federal States of the proposed United States of Indonesia.

Earlier, it was reported that the Dutch decision to suspend the negotiations was taken because of the publication of a "confidential document" containing suggestions for a settlement and submitted to Dr. Van Mook on June 10 by the American and Australian members of the United Nations Security Council good offices committee.

Afterwards the Dutch announced that Dr. Van Mook had informed the two members their suggestions could not be taken into consideration.

"Regret" Message

The Australian and American members of the good offices committee tonight expressed their regret in a communique if their suggestions had hindered rather than promoted a solution to the Indonesian problem.

"They did not agree that their suggestion conflicted with the Renville agreement and expressed their surprise at the prominence given to their proposals which had been made provisionally and confidentially to Dr. Van Mook and Dr. Hatta.

Andre Lebon Hold-Up

Shanghai, June 18.

The French liner, Andre Lebon, is still in port today—10 days after the discovery of a quantity of contraband cargo aboard by Chinese Customs authorities.

No new sailing date has been fixed, pending the outcome of smuggling charges brought against four members of the crew.

One hundred and eighty passengers aboard the vessel, while taking most of their meals in their cabins, are making short trips to the city with the approval of the ship's purser.—Reuter.

Capital To Be Called In

Shanghai, June 18.

City banks will call in large amounts of idle capital beginning today as one of the emergency measures to check the continuous rise in commodity prices, Mayor K. C. Wu revealed yesterday evening.

The Mayor is believed to have discussed the situation fully with Mr. S. Y. Liu, Deputy Governor of the Central Bank. They both decided on effective methods for curbing speculative operations through tightening of the local money market.

Meanwhile, the increasing issue of "cashier orders" by banks in the city was said to be causing anxiety to financial authorities, as these orders represented another form of currency inflation.

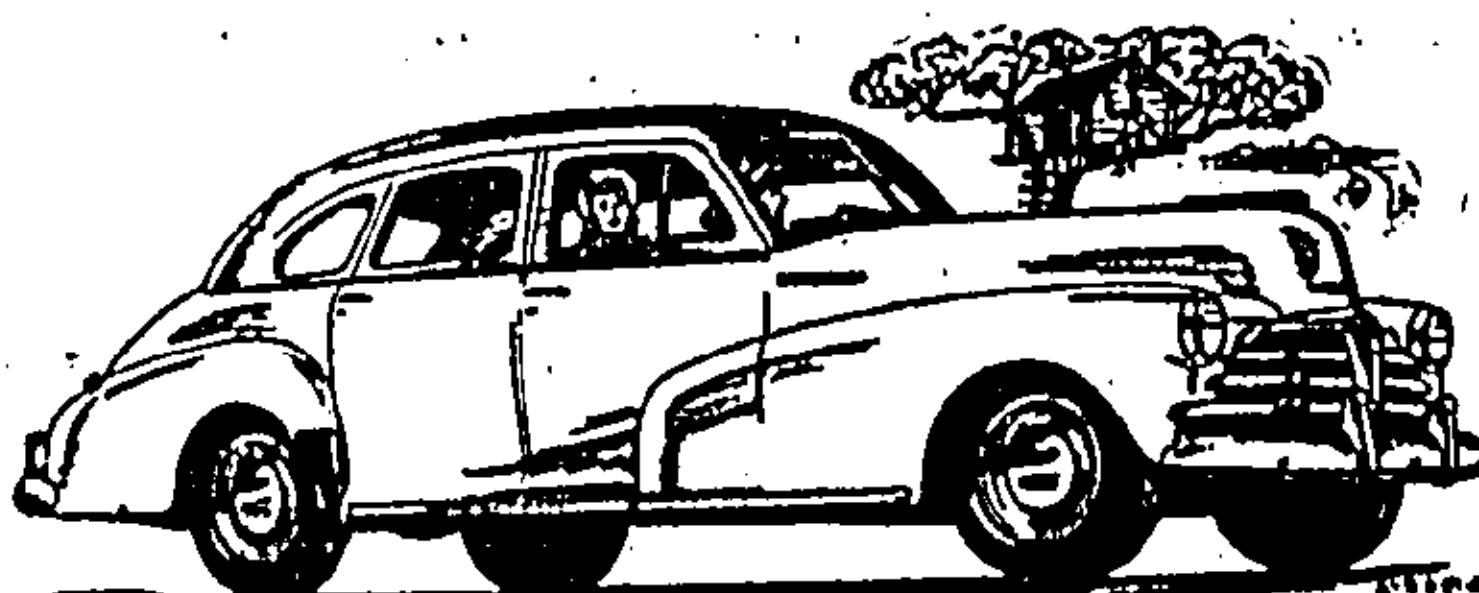
It is also reported today that officials of the Central Bank will leave for Tientsin and Peiping within a few days, empowered to exercise rigid supervision over remittances to areas in the south so as to decrease the volume of idle capital flowing to Shanghai and other cities.—Reuter.

MISSING PLANES TURN UP

Ajaccio, Corsica, June 17. Three flying fortresses, believed to be those reported missing on a flight from the Azores, landed and refuelled here yesterday afternoon, the commander of the local airport said today.

The planes took off a little later in the direction of Palestine. An airport spokesman said that one engine on one plane had been on fire, but the fire was put out while the plane was still in the air.—United Press.

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Stillman Going To Canton

Shanghai, June 18.

Mr. Charles L. Stillman, Director of the Reconstruction Survey Mission of the Economic Cooperation Administration, will fly to Hankow this morning en route to Canton with a number of American technical experts and Chinese representatives for a survey of South China industries.

According to an announcement by the Managing Director of the China National Aviation Corporation, the survey is part of the aid programme.

A second CNAC plane will take off tomorrow morning for Hankow, carrying another group of American and Chinese specialists, also en route to Canton for an industrial survey.

The entire party is scheduled to be flown to Hong Kong on June 25, and will fly from the Colony to Taiwan on the following day.—Reuter.

Red Cross, the Swiss and Swedish Governments and to Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.—United Press

German Students Protest

Munich, June 17. Ten thousand students, mostly from Munich University, staged a hunger demonstration here today.

Yesterday, at Heidelberg, a students' mass meeting was followed by a fire in one of the buildings, they had demanded for living quarters.

Munich students, carrying posters, today made speeches, passed resolutions and sent telegrams.

The speakers demanded adjustments in line with the special considerations given "intellectual workers" in the German rationing plan. Telegrams were sent to the Moral Re-orientation conference in Hollywood, to the United Nations Allied Control Council in Berlin, the four Military Governors, the

FRITZ KUHN EXPLAINS "DOOR WAS OPEN"

Munich, June 17.

Fritz Kuhn was arrested at Barnkastel in the French Zone of Germany on June 15 when he applied for permission to reside there, it was revealed here today.

He had also applied for a licence to open a chemical business in Barnkastel, the former home town of Kuhn's girl friend. Kuhn is now in Munich prison.

under his own name although Police claim he registered as "Kuhn."

"I made the mistake of not living on the 'black market,'" Kuhn said today. "If I had done that I would still be at large today. I was trying to make an honest living."

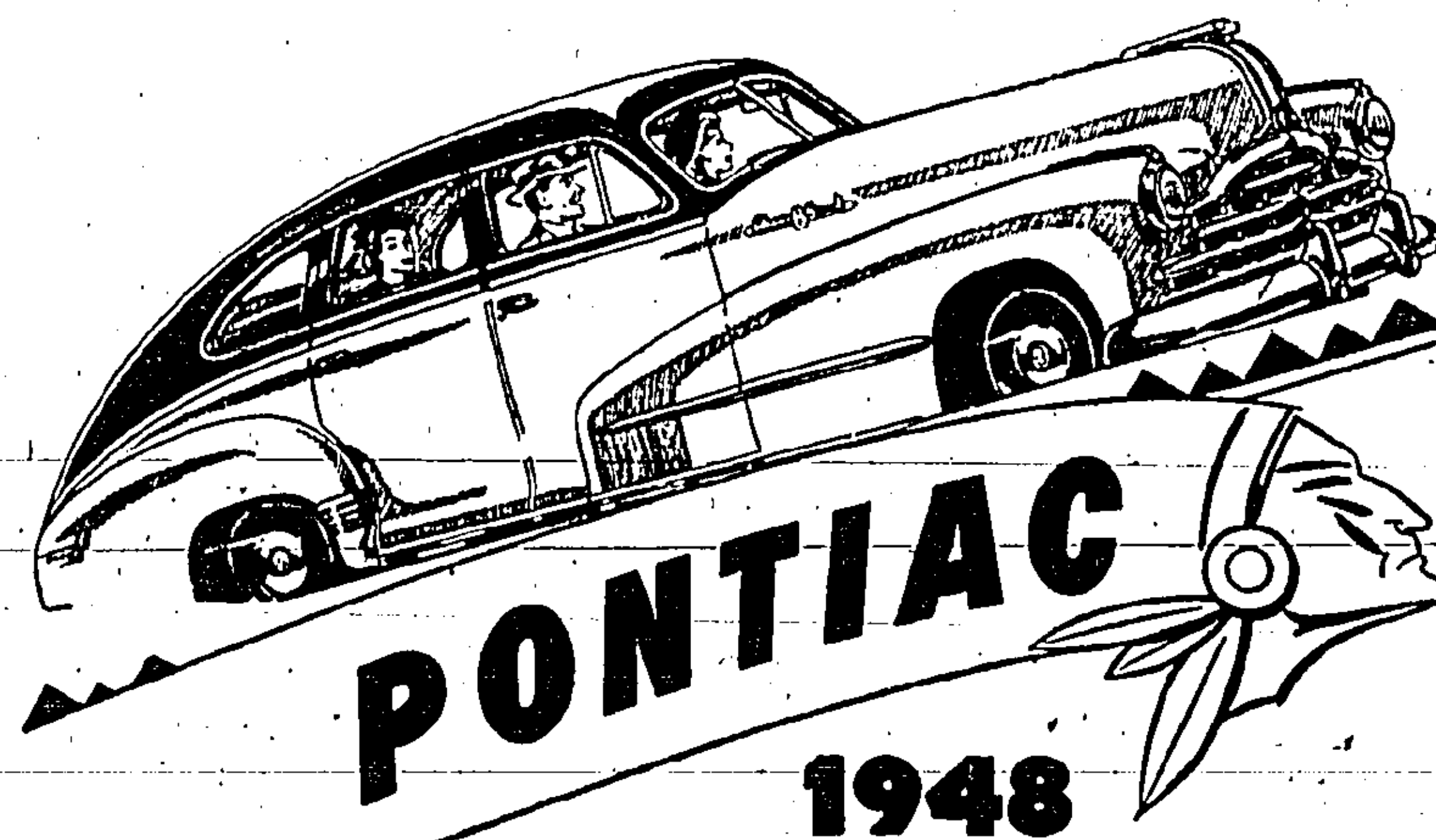
Stories made public at the time of his disappearance revealed that Fritz had taken up with a "girl friend" in Munich who brought him food and comfort in Dachau camp.

Kuhn must serve a ten-year denazification sentence passed on him "in absentia" in April.

Kuhn said that he lived in the little town of Barnkastel near the Luxembourg border ever since his escape. He claimed that he lived in a garage.

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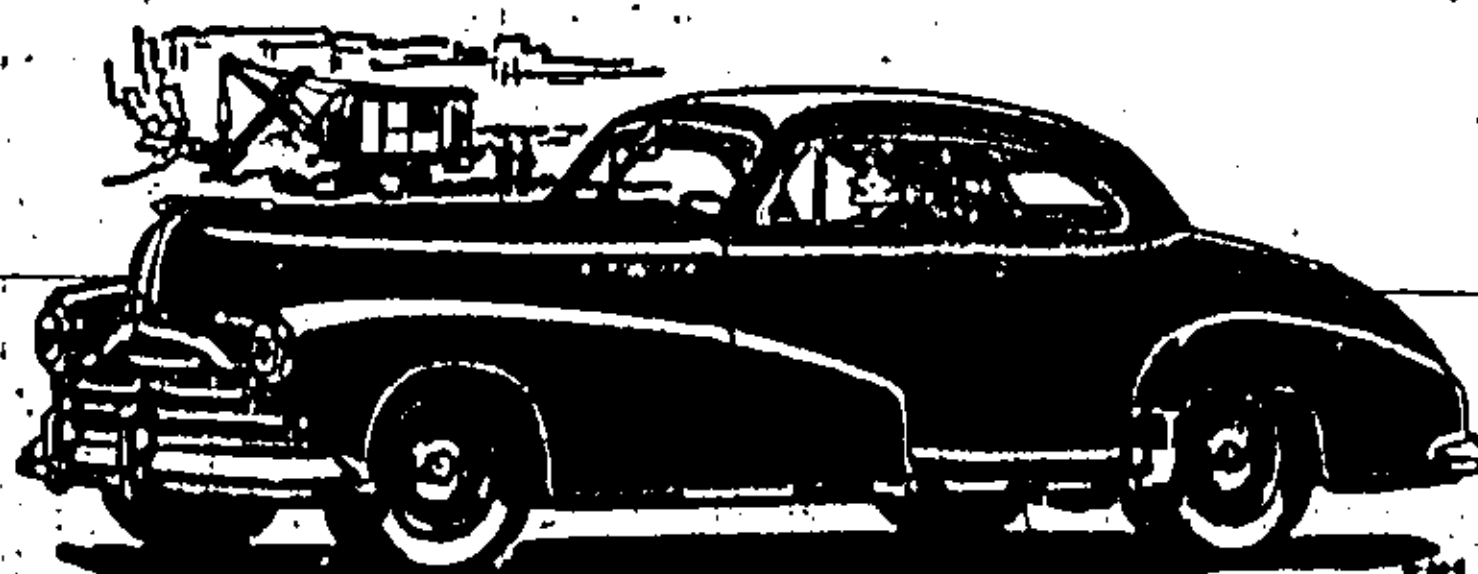
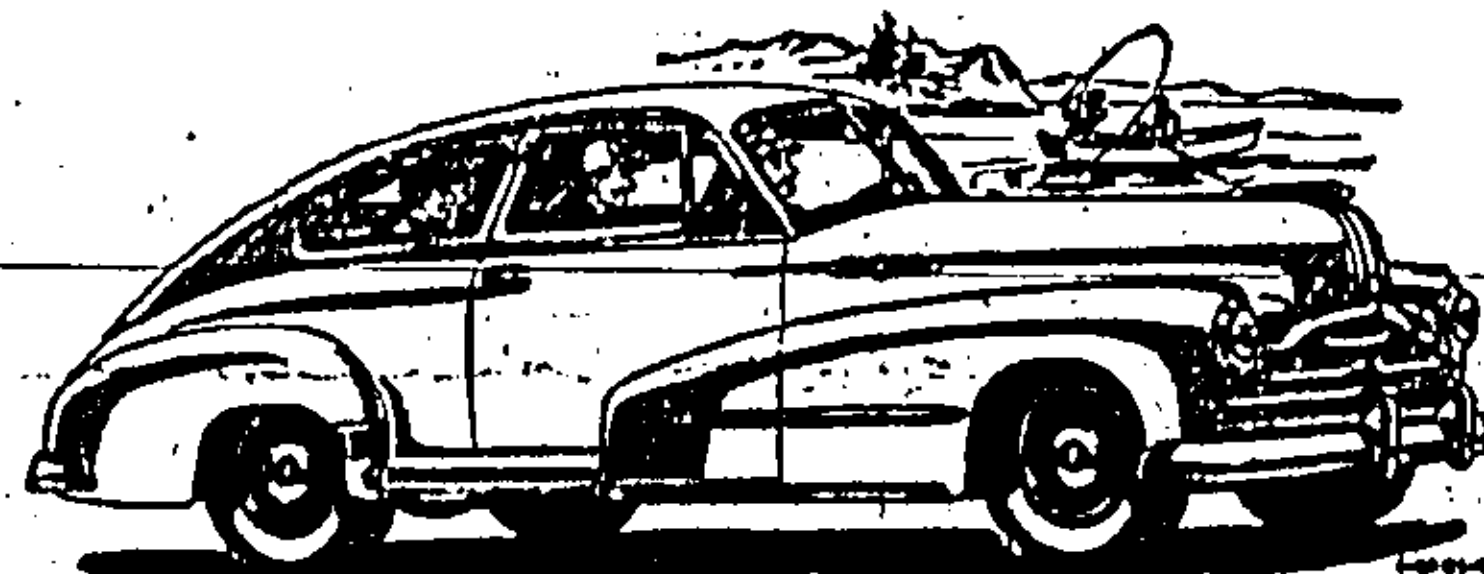
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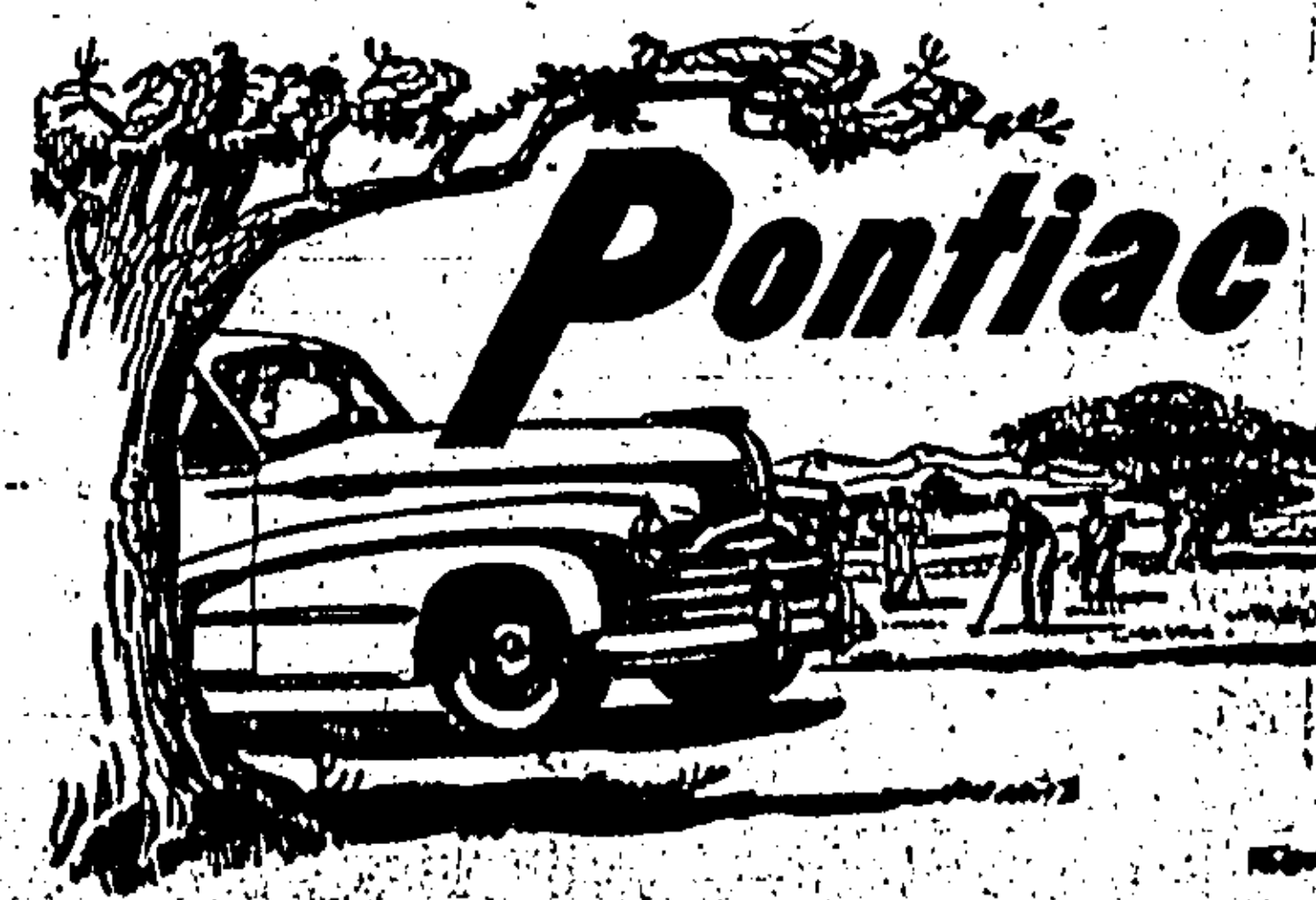
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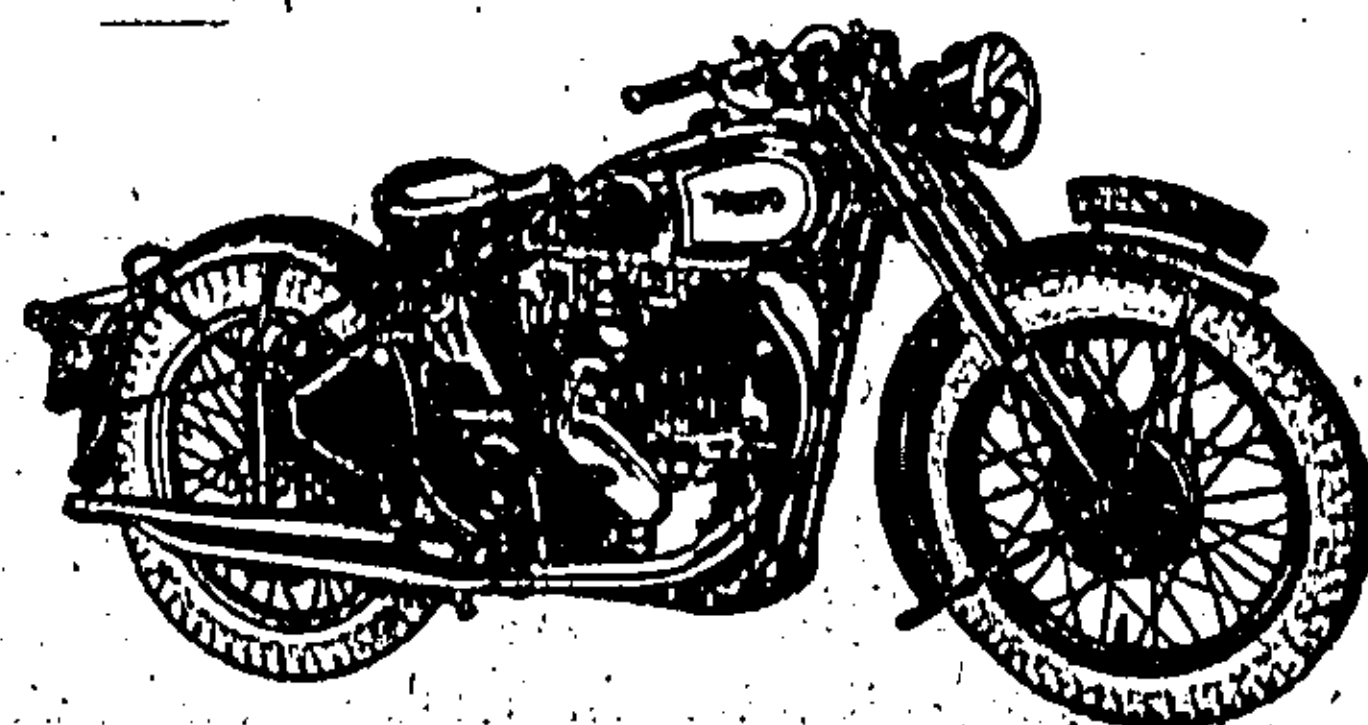
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EXAGGERATED REPORTS OF BURMESE MOVE TO LEFT

BEVIN STATEMENT ON THAKIN NU

London, June 17.

Britain was most anxious to continue to help Burma, but whether she could do so or not must depend on the spirit in which Burma carried out the Anglo-Burmese treaty, Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, said today.

He was commenting in Parliament on a statement by the Burmese Prime Minister, Thakin Nu, which, he said, appeared to herald a change of policy in Burma and the abandonment of the principles of democratic socialism.

The Foreign Secretary said he had been assured that the earlier reports of what the Burmese Premier had said were "somewhat exaggerated."

He proposed to exercise tolerance. Amid cheers, Mr. Bevin said that when a country had obtained independence, a little tolerance and care were essential to get the thing working right.

If the trust Britain had placed in Burma to carry out her obligations was not fulfilled, "then our policy must accordingly be changed."

Referring to the expropriation by the Burmese Government of certain British companies, Mr. Bevin said that he was not satisfied that the degree of consultation constituted a "satisfactory" fulfilment of their treaty obligations.

Mr. Winston Churchill, leader of the Conservative Opposition, asked, amid Conservative cheers, if it was not already evident, that, as the Opposition had predicted, Burma was descending into a state of anarchy tempered by Communism.

Mr. Churchill had started the discussion by asking if the Foreign Secretary could make any statement about the position of British interests in Burma, and whether any consultations upon them had taken place between the British and Burmese Governments in accordance with the terms of the Anglo-Burmese treaty of last October.

Exaggerated
Mr. Bevin replied: "The House will be aware from the reports in the press that a programme was recently announced by the Burmese Prime Minister which appeared to herald a change of policy in Burma and the abandonment of the principles of democratic socialism."

"I have been in consultation with the British Ambassador in Rangoon and have also spoken to the Burmese Ambassador on the subject."

"I have made it clear that, in my view, the future Burmese policy will show how far they sincerely intend to honour the treaty."

"I have been assured that the earlier reports of the Burmese Prime Minister's utterances were somewhat exaggerated and that he is anxious to remain on good terms with this country while, at the same time, developing friendly relations with Russia and other countries."

"Certain British companies were expropriated by the Burmese Government on June 1. No agreement was reached before that date. But on May 31,

terms were offered to the companies, which were open to considerable objection.

"Discussions are continuing, and having regard both to the letter and spirit of the treaty, I trust that the Burmese Government will pay due regard to the views we have submitted to them."

"At the moment, I am not satisfied that the degree of consultation to which they have hitherto been willing to agree constitutes a satisfactory fulfilment of their treaty obligations."

Anxious To Help

"Since her independence, Burma has benefited from our assistance in a variety of ways and we are most anxious to continue to help them, but whether we can do so or not must depend on the spirit in which they carry out their treaty with us."

Mr. Leonard Gammon (Conservative), asked if Mr. Bevin was satisfied that the Government of Burma had had sufficient financial resources in sterling if they were so minded, to meet their obligations.

Was the Minister aware that the British Government was warned by the Opposition that "this sort of thing was likely to

U.S. CLOSE WATCH

Washington, June 17.

The State Department is watching the current events in Burma closely, it was learned today as diplomatic quarters speculated on the possibility of a new "Communist offensive" being developed in the Far East.

Diplomatic observers here are relating the recent disturbances in Burma and Malaya to the relative quiet in Europe, the recent Soviet reparations towards Finland, Rumania and Hungary, and the new rumours of "stabilisation" being developed in the Greek civil war.

Mr. Walter Lippman, the influential columnist, said today that both the new Soviet delegate to the United Nations and the new Soviet Ambassador to Washington were specialists in Asiatic affairs, and commented: "The Soviet Government usually changes its diplomats when it is preparing to change its policy."

There was, he wrote, no certainty that in Indonesia, India, China, Burma, and perhaps even in India and Pakistan, native nationalism would not turn in-

Still A Possibility

Berlin, June 17.

Marshal Vasili Sokolovsky, the Soviet Military Governor, tonight made an "eleventh-hour" declaration in which he said that the Soviet military administration was prepared to assist in any measures designed to provide a currency reform on a four-power basis in Germany.

"I still think this is possible," he said. The Russian marshal was reported by the Soviet-licensed German news agency, ADN, to have made this statement to members of the Socialist Unity Party faction of the Berlin City Assembly.—Reuter.

happen when Burma got her independence?

Mr. Bevin replied that he got a "lot of warnings" from the Opposition and from some Members of the Labour Party. "I place a correct value on both of them," he added.

The Foreign Secretary said he could not say how much sterling Burma owed without looking it up.

Major Ernest Bramall (Labour) said that reports which had appeared in much of the press, apparently as part of a coordinated campaign about Burma going Communist, were grossly inaccurate in the light of subsequent reports which could be read in the London Times today.

Mr. Bevin: "These things do get exaggerated. I realise and I think everyone must realise that, in a country like Burma, which is going through great difficulties, statements will be made which we have to reduce to close consultation and examination and try to help them keep on the rails."

"This is what I am trying to do."—Reuter.

Bristol Quads Doing Fine

Bristol, June 16.

Two civil servants wearing the customary striped trousers hailed Charles Good, father of Bristol's quadruplets, while he was ploughing today on his employer's farm.

"Come to Bristol," they said, "and apply for your Government allowances of 5/- a week each for your four daughters."

Farmer Good put on his best suit and got in their car to go to claim his money.

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Hospital officials, meanwhile, reported another dividend for the Goods and their quads. Little Jennifer, weakest and smallest at birth, had the lid of her oxygen cot raised today and for the first time breathed natural air. She also shared with her sisters her first real dinner out of a bottle.

LEWIS TALKS BREAK DOWN

Washington, June 17.

Contract negotiations between John L. Lewis and soft coal operators broke down today.

The Union leader called his 200-man Policy Committee to meet on June 24 for "instructions."

Presumably those instructions will concern whether the miners are to go back to work after they have a vacation period beginning on June 25. The vacation period ends on July 6. In the meantime, the working contract will expire on June 30.—Associated Press.

LEFT HOLDING THE BAG

San Francisco, June 17.

Three red-faced armoured car messengers learned today how they came to be holding a bag—with \$60,000 in it.

The messengers drove an armoured car to their headquarters to pick up the money. Flourishing guns they walked around the corner to the spot where they had parked. The armoured car was gone. The Police soon found the vehicle in a garage. It was one of the 84 cars they had towed away for illegal parking.—United Press.

K.M.T. CONTROL CRITICISED

Shanghai, June 18.

The Young China Party leader, Tseng Chi, in reiterating his party policy declined to accept his new post in the Cabinet and warned that Kuomintang one-party control of the constitution must not be allowed to continue long.—United Press.

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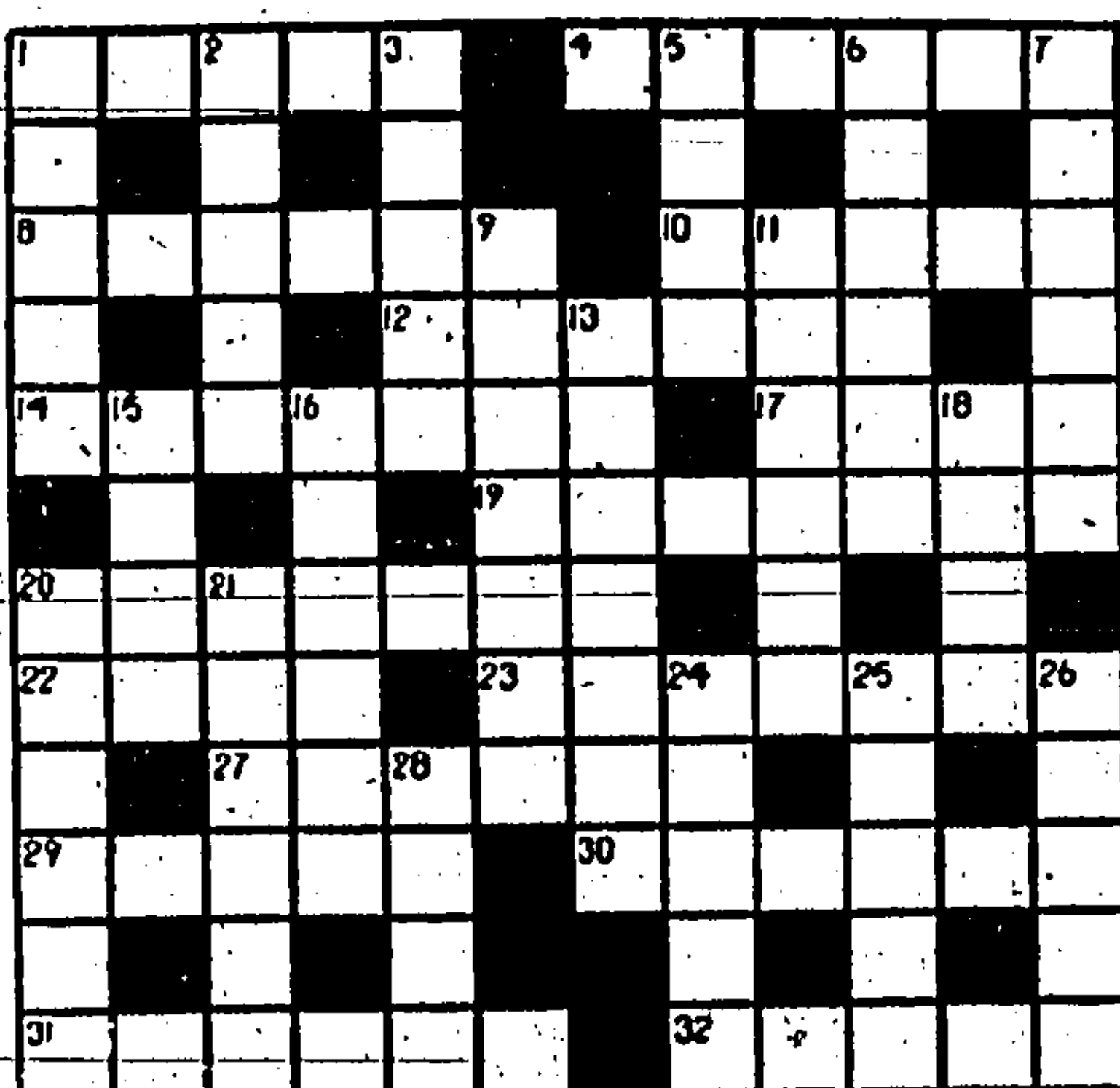
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32. Olive in
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Clues Down

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- Excellent
- Understand
- Subject for exercise
21. Rope
- Relative
24. Wander
- Reprove
25. Egg-shaped
- Ball game
26. Revise
- Exact copy
28. Scoff

- Rued; 6. Leave; 7. Dregs; 9. Rapid; 10. Legal; 12. Piece; 14. Spruce; 16. Sight; 17. Layer; 19. Deret; 20. Nudge; 21. Tale; 22. Dote; 23. Trip; 24. Null.



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Kaffirs recorded declines. London selling was followed by Johannesburg offerings. Burmese issues improved on the statement by Burmese Foreign Minister to the effect that there was no switch of Burmese policy towards India.

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Alkars & Spencer, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	65/7
Standard Motors, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	28/7/8
Vickers Ltd., 1/2, 1941, 100/10	29/1/4
Wendell (P.W.) Co., 1/2, 1941, 100/10	79/3

MINI SHARES

Buena Corp., 1/2, 1941, 100/10	7/2
Crown Mines, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	3/1
Nundor Mines, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	11/1/2
Rand Mines, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	6/4
Sub Nigel, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	4/4
Union Corporation, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	28/2/2
Anglo-Indian Oil Co., 1/2, 1941, 100/10	12/3/8
Atoka Oil, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	26/3
Burma Oil Co., 1/2, 1941, 100/10	65/7/8
Mexico Eagle Oil Co., 1/2, 1941, 100/10	15/9
London Leasehold, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	30/6
Royal Dutch Co., 1/2, 1941, 100/10	25/1/2
Shell Transport, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	8-15/10
Venezuelan Oil, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	112/0

FOREIGN BONDS

German Loan (Dowry) 7 1/2, 1941, 100/10	8
Japanese 5 1/2, 1941/47, 1941, 100/10	29 1/2
Japanese 6 1/2, 1941/50, 1941, 100/10	30
Japan-Manchurian 5 1/2, 1941, 100/10	29 1/2

DANKERS

Bank of China, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	11 1/2
Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	120-15/10
Merchants Bank of India, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	22 1/2
Oil, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	181/2
Anglo-American Corporation, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	3/2
British Burma Petroleum, 1/2, 1941, 100/10	42/8

—Routier.

No Hedging

Mr. Harold Wilson, the President of the Board of Trade, said if the Government had tried to meet the "catastrophic" world conditions with any other system but bulk purchase, the Lancashire cotton industry would have been in a very much graver position.

It was not, he said, the Cotton Commission's policy to hedge. The Commission was a "very large organisation, which could cover its risks over a long period without insurance."

The Raw Cotton Commission had already made "very considerable" gains and these were available to cover the risks.

He agreed there was a lack of choice and to some extent a deterioration in quality in raw cotton supplies. That was not due to the Commission, but to having to economise in dollars—Routier.

GOLD TALKS DENIAL

Pretoria, June 17.

It was officially denied here today that South Africa was negotiating with the United States for an increase in the price of gold.

It was earlier reported from Canberra that both Australia and South Africa were negotiating with the United States for a gold price increase—Routier.

N.Y. RUBBER

New York, June 18.

Rubber closed 15 to 35 lower with sales of 52 contracts. July 21.95; September 22.10; December 21.85-90; No. 1 ribbed (smoked) sheets 22 1/2 nominal—Associated Press.

Industry Founded "On Quicksands"

London, June 17.

The Government's policy of bulk buying of cotton came under heavy fire from the Opposition in the House of Commons tonight.

Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, wartime Minister of Production and the chief Opposition speaker, said that under this system, cotton prices had already risen by more than 100 per cent in four months.

How could an export industry be founded on such "shifting quicksands" as this? He warned the Government that if it had not hedged against any of its bulk positions in cotton, the losses, when prices turned downwards, would wipe out any adventitious gains that had come to the Cotton Commission which did the buying.

There would be a "formidable" loss of money—us-well.

Mr. Lyttelton asserted that whereas previously it was the Liverpool Cotton Exchange which made the world price, it was now New York.

Now, when the sellers market was beginning to fade and a buyers market was likely to supervene, the Government allowed the price of cotton to rise until it had crossed the price at which foreign competitors of Liverpool spinners could buy their raw materials.

Pure Guesswork

Any attempt to produce "a cloth at a price" must be pure guesswork. The idea that bulk purchases made for stability had been publicly demonstrated to be "utterly false."

Another Conservative Member of Parliament, Mr. Walter Fletcher, said that bulk buying failed because everyone could see the single bulk buyer coming like an elephant.

Lancashire was being driven into an ever-narrowing band of manufacture "and we shall not be able to compete with labour conditions in India and Japan."

RICE SOARING IN SWATOW

Canton, June 17.

The price of rice in Swatow has touched CN\$14 million a picul.

Fortunately, the rationing scheme went into effect on June 11, with the Government selling at CN\$8 million a picul.

The big difference in prices has been mainly caused by hoarding by rice merchants and wealthy citizens on earlier fears of a "rice famine" in Swatow district.

An official in the Swatow city administration said that "rationing" has been well timed and is a boon to this city.—Routier.

SILVER AND GOLD MARKETS

Bombay:—Market closed.

Buenos Aires:—Sovereign, 91-50 buyers, 93.50 sellers; U.S. Eagles, 161.50b/165.00s; Gold, 800b/800b, 8.00b, 9.00s.

Alexandria:—Gold, per "dirhem" 162 piastres; Egyptian pound 490; Sovereign 503; Turkey pound 360; Napoleon 370; Dollars (piece de cinq) 490; Silver (piastres per kilogram) 82 1/2 piastres.

One "dirhem" equals 1/10th of an ounce.

Paris:—Napoleon 4,125 Frs.; French 10 franc coins 1,800; Swiss franc 3,950; Union Latine 3,700; Sovereign 4,180; Half Sovereign 2,800; U.S. Dollar coin (820.00) 1,600; U.S. Dollar coin (810.00) 1,600; Sovereign (in free dollars per ounce) 371.8; Napoleons (in free dollars per ounce) 372.0; U.S. Dollar notes (in black-market) 350/851.—Routier.

Treasury Explodes A Rumour

Washington, June 17.

A high Treasury official said today that "the United States is not coining silver coins for China."

Thus another rumour among the many that China is attempting to achieve a silver basis for its currency seemingly exploded.

Other authoritative sources said Chinese reports that Nanking officials are here seeking to negotiate a currency reform pact, which has already been drafted, were "merely echoing the fiscal chaos gripping China but lacking substance."

Official Chinese quarters declined to discuss what may be Nanking's currency objective—Associated Press.

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